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WEATHER FORECAST
Local—Probably fair and partly cloudy. Increasing southerly winds veering to westerly and diminishing.
Eastern New York — Rain and slightly colder except on coast.
New Jersey — Probably occasional rain. Not much change in temperature.

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MINERS END PARLEY AMID ENTHUSIASM

Lewis Calls on UMW to Continue to Lead Way to CIO

By A. B. Magil
(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—At 12:35 P. M. today 2,000 delegates from the mine regions of the United States and Canada rang down the curtain on the greatest and most progressive convention of the United Mine Workers of America held in this generation.

The convention ended amid singing and band music after adopting the report of the Scale Committee, selecting Columbia, O., as the scene of the next constitutional convention in nineteen forty, and listening to a concludig speech by John L. Lewis, president of the miners' union and chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization. By tomorrow morning most of the delegates will be on their way back home, preparing to report to their local unions and to clothe in the flesh and blood of action the convention decisions.

They will carry back with them the sense of pride and power that surged through Lewis's moving final speech—the power of six hundred thousand organized workers who are the vanguard of the great movement for industrial unionism that has brought a new day to millions of working people.

"Our country and our people are in another emergency," Lewis said, "another economic depression with its collateral problems pertaining to the social, economic and political welfare of our people. You have expressed yourselves on these questions in support of any program adopted by our government and by the American people to protect the integrity of our republic and the social, economic and political rights of the American people.

BACKBONE OF CIO

"The United Mine Workers of America is the sword and buckler of the Committee for Industrial Organization. It has been and will continue to be. It lends its strength and its resources to aiding those in other industries who are in need of the same kind of protection as we have won. The members of the United Mine Workers have come to know that as far as labor is concerned: united we stand, divided we fall. The concern of one is the concern of all.

Lewis thanked the delegates, the officers, the clerical staff, the ushers and the lively United Mine Workers band from West Virginia. He complimented the delegates on the way they had conducted themselves and compared their deportment with that of members of Congress.

"I think this should be an object lesson," he said, "to those who look with contempt on the workers of America and who esteem themselves, like Pharisees in the market place, superior individuals. The members of the United Mine Workers have no inferiority complex. It will be our task in the future to secure to our membership an

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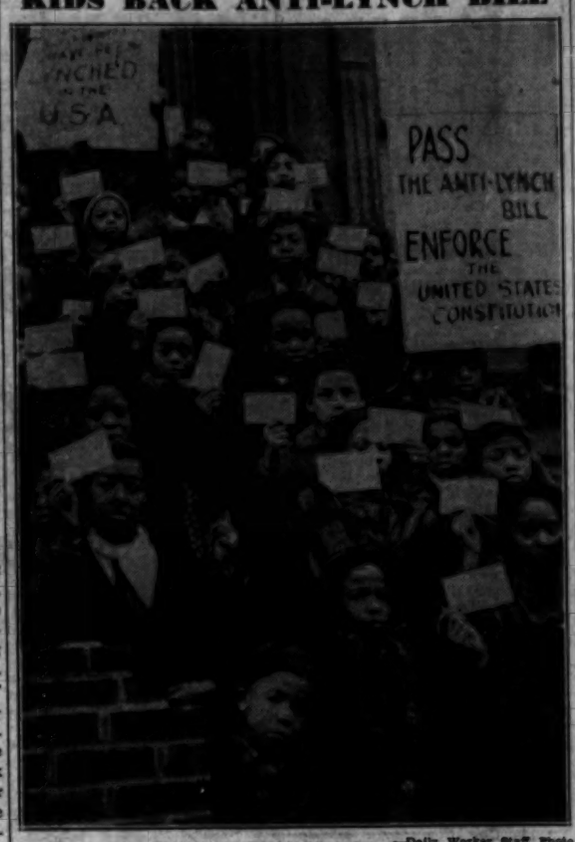
KIDS BACK ANTI-LYNCH BILL



—Daily Worker Staff Photo

Students of two Harlem Public Schools who marched Wednesday in protest against attempts of Southern Reactionary Senators to block the Wagner-Van Nuys Anti-Lynching Bill are shown above. The Negro children, who held postcards addressed to Senate Majority Leader Barkley, are shown on the steps of the Abyssinian Baptist Church, where they heard the Rev. John Robinson urge passage of the bill.

Wagner Says Constitution Demands Anti-Lynch Law

Cites Law of Land As Implying Duty of Gov't to End Lynching 'Disgrace'; Opens Vigorous Defense of Own Bill

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Senator Robert F. Wagner, D., N. Y., declared in the Senate today that the Constitution presents no obstacles to the pending anti-lynching bill but in fact "makes it the implied duty of the Federal Government to take reasonable steps" to end lynchings.

The New York Senator, co-author of the bill, presented the first argument in defense of the legislation during a month of debate in which it has been denounced by its foes, including Sen. William E. Borah, R., Ida., as an "unconstitutional invasion" of states rights.

Quoting frequently from Supreme Court decisions, Wagner denied that the pending bill would be an invasion of State sovereignty and said:

BILL IS CONSTITUTIONAL

"A recent exhaustive study of the law has confirmed me in the view, shared by many others in and out of Congress, that this bill is constitutional. Far from being an insuperable obstacle to anti-lynching legislation, the Constitution makes it the implied duty of the Federal government to take the reasonable steps provided in this measure.

"It is hard to understand how proposals so just in their terms and so humane in their objec-

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Small Business Men to Meet With F.D.R.

To Present Program, Urge Drive on Monopolies

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4.—Amidst torrential debate small business men now meeting in conference here yesterday approved many resolutions of conflicting tendencies, dictated by the wide variety of interests represented.

It is planned to present President Roosevelt with these proposals today.

The committee adopted a resolution opposing any Federal legislation regulating wages and hours and demanded that the Administration "abandon as far as possible regulation of private business and industry."

At the same time, it recommended that funds be appropriated by Congress for trust-busting agencies of the Government for a concentrated drive against monopolistic practices. Although the report on this issue was incomplete, the committee drafting the proposal indicated that it would present a resolution calling for revision of the Robinson-Patman anti-price discrimination and State fair trade acts.

Another committee passed a resolution proposing elimination of the present unemployment tax on employers and that a Federal sales tax be imposed in its stead.

A recommendation that the Government insure loans made to reliable small business men through community financial institutions at moderate interest rates was adopted.

Central Trades Protests Layoff Of WPA Teachers

The New York Central Trades and Labor Council last night voted to protest the planned layoff of WPA teachers during the two summer months and to send a delegation to Mayor LaGuardia to demand increased relief appropriations.

The central body also refered to its WPA committee a proposal that a meeting of all unions representatives be called to organize pressure for a higher apportionment of WPA jobs to New York City. The later proposal came from the Brooklyn Metal Trades Council whose members in the Brooklyn Navy Yard face a layoff of 1,500 soon.

The protest on the teachers came following a report by delegates of Local 453, WPA Teachers Union.

100 Negroes Fighting With Loyalists, Robeson Says

Singer Back from Battle Fields Tells of Negroes Acclaimed as Heroes for Valor in Hard Fought Battles

PARIS, Feb. 3 (UP).—Paul Robeson, American Negro singer, said today on his arrival from Loyalist Spain that more than 100 Negroes, mostly from the United States, are enrolled in the International Brigade of the government forces.

Some of the Negro volunteers, he said, are from Cuba and others from the British West Indies.

"Unlike the Moroccan troops fighting with the Rebels who have not the least idea of what they are fighting for, these Negroes of the International Brigade well know what they are fighting for," Robeson said.

He said that a Chicago Negro lawyer, Oliver Law, a former corporal of the United States Army, was hailed as a hero throughout Loyalist Spain. He was killed while leading his men of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade at Brunete last July.

Another Negro hero, he said, is Milton Herndon, brother of Angelo Herndon, famous young Negro Communist who won a court fight against a 20-year Georgia chain-gang sentence. Herndon, he said, carried the United States flag in a parade past government officials and La Passionaria (The Passion Flower), famous woman Communist leader, exclaimed, "What a fine sight that is."

FDR TO CONFER WITH 40 HOUSE PROGRESSIVES

Maverick Heads Group of 40 to Talk on New New Deal Bills

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 3.—The Progressive bloc in the House of Representatives will meet with President Roosevelt Monday afternoon in the first public move of the group since its organization.

Most of the 40 odd representatives who have aligned themselves with the bloc are expected to attend the session with the President.

The White House appointment marks the rapid progress which has been made during the past few weeks in uniting all liberals and Progressives in the House regardless of party affiliation, and in working out a common program.

Maury Maverick of Texas, outstanding Progressive spokesman in the House, was recently chosen chairman of the bloc, and Thomas R. Amlie, Progressive of Wisconsin, was chosen as Secretary.

Since all of the Progressives associated with the group are militantly in favor of progressive, New Deal measures, it is believed that Monday's conference may result in closer cooperation between the administration and the progressive forces in Congress.

TO WORK OUT DETAILS

Details of the proposals which will be presented to the President are to be worked out at a meeting tomorrow morning.

It is believed, however, that subjects likely to come up for discussion include the need for wages and hours legislation, the relief and unemployment situation, and closer cooperation between the White House and Progressives in Congress.

Although meetings have been held regularly for several months under Maverick's leadership, the group is still in the formative stage. The meeting with the President is its coming out party as a definite, organized factor in Congress and in national politics.

Problems which are now before the group are whipping a legislative program into shape, organizing all of the available members in the House, and forming the necessary committee and organizational machinery.

The appearance of the bloc at the White House is expected to quicken the organizing process, and possibly to attract additional members.

Far from being a sectional or one party organization, the Progressive Bloc now includes New Deal Demo-

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Protest Kills 2% Sales Tax in Philadelphia

(Daily Worker Eastern Penna. Bureau)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.—The 2 per cent sales tax was killed today by the largest mass public protest this town has ever seen.

The 15 members of the City Council who voted for the measure, have been meeting in caucus for three days with business leaders, agreed last night to drop the tax.

The sales tax was passed by City Council last week by a vote of 15 to 7 over the protests of labor, consumer and fraternal organizations representing almost the entire voting population here.

Mayor Wilson vetoed the bill Thursday night.

A substitute one year emergency tax program was proposed today. It is expected that the program when drawn up will provide for a balanced budget.

RESCUE SHIP

The Soviet Icebreaker Taimyr, which has been ordered to proceed to the rescue of the Arctic scientists.

AWAIT U.S.S.R. ARCTIC AID WITH CALM

Papanin Sends Message to Moscow, Rescue Ships Leave

MOSCOW, Feb. 3 (UP).—The icebreaker Taimyr smashed its steel nose through ice fields off the Arctic tip of Norway tonight in a race to the rescue of four Soviet scientists isolated on a fast-crumbling ice floe off the Greenland coast.

The captain of the Murmanetz, also rushing to their aid, reported that the storm off Greenland, in the narrow straight between Greenland and Spitzbergen, had abated, and that he was sailing through broken ice with stretches of clear water.

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 3.—Four Soviet scientist-explorers and their little dog "Jolly," precariously perched upon a crumbling ice floe in the storm-driven waters of the Greenland Sea, today calmly awaited sea

SCHMIDT SUPERVISES RESCUE WORK OF 400

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MURMANSK, U.S.S.R., Friday, Feb. 4.—Under the direct supervision of Prof. Otto J. Schmidt, in charge of the rescue of the Papanin group, 450 worked day and night to prepare the icebreaker Yermak for sailing towards the Greenland Sea.

Schmidt arrived last night by special express train from Leningrad.

and air rescue expeditions rushing to their aid.

A report late tonight from the camp said the Arctic cyclone which had driven the ice floe miles out of its path and had broken up the smooth large patches of ice into fissure-separated ice blocks had already abated.

TAIMYR ON WAY

The sturdy icebreaker Taimyr was ordered to sail from Murmansk, ice-free Soviet Arctic port, at once under urgent instructions from the Soviet government to reach the four campers, led by Dr. Ivan Papanin.

The hydrographic ship, Murmanetz, a small but powerful and sturdy vessel, was still 250 miles from the Papanin camp yesterday, but was picking a path northwards through only occasional open water lanes today, its captain reported to Moscow.

Professor Otto J. Schmidt, bearded leader of the Soviet's Arctic explorations, was speeding by special train from Leningrad to Murmansk where he will board the U.S.S.R.'s crack icebreaker, the Yermak, which will follow the Taimyr out of Murmansk tomorrow.

A fourth rescue ship, the Murman, will leave Murmansk Sunday with a spare airplane aboard.

Wednesday at 4 o'clock in the

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FRANCO GUNS BOMB MADRID CIVILIANS; PIRATE SUBS WILL BE SUNK ON SIGHT

Britain, France to Sink on Sight Any Pirate Sub

Eden Policy to Protect Italy May Get Mussolini to Agree on 4-Point Program in Sub Patrol of Mediterranean

PARIS, Feb. 3 (UP).—Great Britain and France tonight cleared 70 warships for action and embarked on a sink-at-sight crusade against pirate submarines in the Mediterranean.

Dispatches from Rome said that Premier Benito Mussolini, encouraged by the efforts of British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden to "allay suspicions" that an Italian submarine might have been responsible for the new outbreak of 'piracy,' appeared to be agreeable to the new scheme.

The three-point plan placed before Mussolini was said to provide for (1) more warships for anti-piracy patrol on the part of Britain, France and Italy, (2) increased vigilance, and (3) a "quarantine" for all submarines in the Mediterranean so that all U-boats found along the international trade routes may be fired on and sunk without notice.

The French foreign office announced that, as result of emergency consultations in London following the torpedoing of the British steamer Endymion with a loss of 11 lives, the two governments have ordered their warships to attack all submerged submarines found in the "anti-piracy" zones outside Spanish territorial waters.

The French navy department, pressing 30 warships into the reinforced system, said the shoot-to-sink orders affect any submarine encountered east of a meridian reaching from Dec de la'Aigle near Marseilles to near Bone, on the North African coast near General Francisco Franco's Spanish insurgent base of Ceuta.

The French orders conform with those issued by the British Admiralty, it was announced.

Added to the 30 French warships the British Admiralty prepared 40 warships, ranging from battleships to small torpedo boats, for service in the new "anti-piracy" war.

The plan envisages a "quarantine" of all submarines in the Mediterranean off the Spanish coasts, leaving any undersea craft venturing into those waters the target of the patrol warships.

Under the original anti-piracy agreement signed by 10 nations at Nyon, Switzerland, last September 12 submarines which refused to disclose their identity were to be sunk only if there was valid evidence of "piratical intentions."

Iron Guards Clash With Rumania Police

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Feb. 3 (UP).—More than 50 Fascist Iron Guards and many police were injured tonight in a savage battle at Ploesti, 40 miles north of here.

First reports said that the Iron Guards tried to march in military formation through the streets and attacked police who sought to intervene.

It was the first clash between the extremist, anti-Semitic, green-shirt organization and authorities since Premier Octavian Goga issued a decree abolishing all semi-military groups.

Both the Iron Guards and the white-shirt National Peasant Party defied the ban and refused to dissolve their organizations until Goga abolished his blue-shirt "Lancers."

TOKIO LINES HAMMERED IN CHINA ATTACKS

Japan Rushes Men to Bolster Threatened Positions

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

HANKOW, Feb. 3.—Latest military dispatches from the various fronts today reported that the Chinese had taken the offensive along the southern arc of the Central Front extending from Wuhu to Hangchow, while the Japanese had begun a push up the Grand Canal in their drive northward through Shantung province.

On the southern half of the Tientsin-Pukow railroad, where another Japanese army is attempting to push northward to Suchow, nerve center of the railway system of the central Chinese seaboard, a lull has set in preliminary to expected major battles.

The threat to the Japanese lines from Wuhu, on the Yangtze River above Nanking, to Hangchow, seaport capital of Chekiang province southeast of Shanghai, has become so great that the Japanese have rushed large reinforcements to bulwark newly-fortified positions.

The Japanese launched an offen-

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JAPANESE LOSE 20,000 IN WAR ON CHINA

TOKIO, Feb. 3.—General Gen Sugiyama, Minister of War, told a parliamentary committee today about 20,000 Japanese soldiers had been killed in the seven-month-old Chinese-Japanese conflict.

Bombing of Civilians Hit by Hull

Indicates U. S. Hopes Truce on Bombings Is Reached

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull today again condemned the bombing of innocent civilian populations by armed forces.

Hull, apparently aroused by recent bombings in China and Spain, told his press conference that the bombing of civilians should be strongly deplored by all civilized nations and that he hoped that ways would be found to bring an end to such practices.

Admiral Leahy, chief of naval operations, questioned at length by Rep. Ralph O. Brewster, R., Me., who said he was not convinced that a larger navy is needed, admitted at the hearing of the House Naval Affairs Committee that it would be "extremely" hazardous for an Asiatic power to attempt to invade the United States even now. He said, however, that naval parity would "not be as good a provision for safety against attack as if we had a stronger navy."

Asked whether America's defense would be affected if the U. S. and Asiatic fleets were reduced by half, he said:

"It would have very little, if any, effect on the present ability of America to defend itself against attack. . . . The 5,000 miles of ocean presumably would still be there."

Leahy said that while the matter of protecting Hawaii's coastal defenses was the Army's responsibility, there was little likelihood that an enemy could capture the island group "so long as the fleet is intact in the Pacific."

He flatly denied Brewster's inference that the naval increase was sought to police aggressor nations in line with the President's now famous "quarantine" speech made in Chicago last year.

Fascist Planes Bomb Food, Ambulance Convoy

MADRID, Feb. 3 (UP).—Fascist artillery today subjected the center of Madrid to a two-hour bombardment, the second in 24 hours, and the almost constant bursting of six-inch shells took a heavy toll of lives.

The shells fell over a wide area, catching unaware hundreds of men, women and children promenading in the early afternoon sunshine.

The shelling came from General Francisco Franco's batteries in the Guadarrama hills about five miles to the northwest.

BARCELONA, Feb. 3 (UP).—The death toll in Sunday's air raid by fascist planes was estimated tonight at 1,100 persons killed. Sixteen hundred were estimated to have been wounded.

BARCELONA, Spain, Feb. 3 (UP).—The Spanish government announced today that, pending the outcome of British and French efforts to obtain a truce in the bombing of open towns, its air force will cease bombing civilian populations from the air.

Simultaneous with the announcement a fleet of fascist planes swept down on a French-American food and ambulance convoy near Figueras along the Franco-Spanish frontier and bombed the convoy with heavy loss of life.

Four American ambulances in the procession escaped the bombs and raced at full speed into Barcelona while the other trucks, mostly loaded with food, turned about and returned to Perpignan, France.

Several of the 30 trucks in the convoy were hit and demolished, killing three French drivers and injuring nine others. The bombing occurred at a railroad point near Figueras.

Nine Spanish civilians were killed and heavy damage was done by the fascist bombs.

The ministry of defense, informed of Anglo-French efforts to end the civilian bombardments that have taken more than 1,000 lives in the last 30 days, issued an order that the government aviation must limit its activities to the battlefronts and watch the enemy's rear guard without even flying over insurgent civilian towns.

GOVERNMENT ISSUES STATEMENT

BARCELONA, Feb. 3 (By Cable to the Spanish News Agency). — The Ministry of Defense issued the following communique at 1:00 P.M. today:

"The note of the Minister of National Defense of Jan. 28, setting forth his attitude and opinion regarding the aerial bombing of cities far behind the lines, was telegraphed to the Spanish ambassadors in Paris and London for transmission to these governments. Another note was also handed to the French ambassador in Barcelona.

"In spite of the rebel answer over the Salamanca radio station on Jan. 29, refusing the suspension of such attacks, when the Minister of Defense learned that the British and French governments had taken the Loyalist initiative under consideration, he ordered the air forces of the Republic to halt airplane

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Navy Air Crash Due to Blind Fog Wide Probe Cites

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Feb. 3 (UP).—Navy investigators announced tonight that two giant navy flying boats, which crashed in mid-air 70 miles at sea last night and plunged into the ocean in flames taking 11 men to their death, had apparently become "blinded in a low fog" while attempting close formation.

Search for two bodies still missing was abandoned after 18 hours in which practically the entire Pacific battle fleet and 300 airplanes combed the surface of the sea.

Admiral Claude C. Bloch, commander-in-chief of the fleet, announced from the Flagship Pennsylvania that the search had been halted. Eight bodies have been recovered, one man died in a hospital and three others escaped in parachutes.

Naval investigators said they believed the two big twin-motored flying boats had become temporarily "blinded" and their wings locked in a sudden squall that came up during flying maneuvers last night.

Television in Moscow Hospital Guards Health of Visitors

In a hospital for people suffering with infectious diseases in Moscow a special television apparatus has been installed, which makes it possible for visitors not only to speak with the patients through the telephone, but also to be able to see them at the same time.

HITLER MEETS REICHENAU AS RIFT SHARPENS

Foreign Papers Reporting Blomberg Quitting Confiscated

BERLIN, Feb. 3 (UP).—Chancellor Adolf Hitler held a long conference today with General Walter Von Reichenau, Commander of the Seventh German Army Corps in Bavaria, heightening reports that Reichenau may be named either war minister or commander-in-chief of the army.

Hitler, faced with dissensions within the army's high command, was said to be anxious to find a successor to War Minister Werner Von Blomberg with the least possible commotion.

Persistent reports that Colonel-General Werner Von Fritsch, Commander-in-Chief of the Reichswehr armies, who protested against Baron Blomberg's "surprise" marriage to 25-year-old Erika Gruhn recently, also is about to quit his post brought up Reichenau's name as his successor.

In that event Col.-Gen. Hermann Wilhelm Goering, Hitler's right-hand man and administrator of Germany's four-year economic plan, might be named war minister.

Despite many rumors it appeared tonight that Baron Fritsch, opposed to Baron Blomberg's marriage to a girl of lower class origin in defiance of old army traditions, has not even been considered for the war ministry post.

PAPERS BANNED

German newsdealers reported that 18 foreign newspapers were confiscated today. The banned newspapers included the British Daily Express, Daily Mirror and News Chronicle and ten French papers, including Le Petit Journal, Le Jour and L'Action Francaise; four Swiss and one Danish newspapers.

Secret police admitted only the confiscation of the Daily Express and Daily Mirror and denied the seizures were connected with accounts of the Blomberg affair.

Whatever developments might be going on within the Chancellory in the Wilhelmstrasse, it seemed unquestionable that the choice of a successor to Baron Blomberg alone was a difficult and delicate matter.

It was predicted that if the difficulty continued Hitler himself might take the post.

Fascist Bombs Strike Down Barcelona Women and Children

The body of a 7-year-old boy lies in a Barcelona street after Italian planes, in the service of Gen. Franco, bombed this civilian population. The grief and horror reflected in the face of women in photo on right was mirrored in hundreds of others as Franco's black birds of death swept over the city leaving hundreds of women and children dead.

Britain Guards Singapore in War Games

Planes Protect Naval Base in Great Mock Maneuvers

SINGAPORE, Friday, Feb. 4 (UP).—Warplanes of the British Defense force, guarding its giant Naval base 12 miles from here, today swept to sea to "destroy" the British aircraft carrier Eagle, the chief threat of a mock naval attack on Singapore.

The big aircraft carrier was located by patrol planes during the second day of annual naval maneuvers, designed to prove to the world that the Singapore naval base is "impregnable" against an attacking fleet.

While Japanese and American correspondents watched from a distant point of vantage, the big "torpedo bombers" droned over the city at dawn to meet the advancing "blue fleet," under command of Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Ramsay, approximately 500 miles out in the Indian Ocean.

The Eagle's huge nest of planes constitutes the spearhead of the "blue fleet's" attack and its fictitious destruction is expected to occupy the first phase of the war games.

CITE ONLY THREAT TO SINGAPORE

Naval strategists believe the only real threat to Singapore would be the approach of aircraft carriers large enough to send a fleet of planes over the base and bomb it from the air.

While squadrons of bombers were roaring southward to engage the planes of the Eagle in an aerial sham battle, defense forces manned the mighty 18-inch rifles, largest in the world, which guard the Singapore base.

The city itself was prepared for a mass "anti-air raid" drill with gas protection and "blackout" of certain sections of the city's lights, when the enemy air fleet sweeps over Singapore tonight or tomorrow.

Wives and children of British soldiers stationed at the base are included in the drill, as well as certain sections of the city's population which might become targets of the enemy warplanes.

Franco Guns Again Bomb Civilians

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raids over cities far behind the lines, even going so far as to halt preparations under way to reply to the rebel bombing of Barcelona on the morning of Jan. 30, during which one-third of the victims were children being cared for at the San Felipe Meri children's nursery.

"Having learned of the decision of the French and English governments to open negotiations for the purpose of halting bombings of cities far from the war front, as discussed yesterday in the House of Commons, the Minister of Defense also announces his decision to the effect that as long as these negotiations last, the Loyalist air forces will restrict their offensive operations to helping the ground forces at the various fronts and to undertake only observation and reconnoitering flights behind the lines."

FRONTS CALM

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Feb. 3 (UP).—An acute shortage of munitions may be partly responsible for reduced activity on both sides in the Spanish war, it was indicated here tonight.

During the recent battles at Teruel and Singra, both the fascists and the Loyalists made greater use of heavy calibre cannon than ever before in the war and it was considered doubtful if munitions factories were able to keep pace with requirements.

Both armies were profiting by the calm to fortify their positions, particularly in the Muela de Teruel and Villastar sectors.

2 BRITISH SHIPS CAPTURED

BARCELONA, Feb. 3 (UP). — A reliable source asserted today that two British steamships carrying coal had been captured by Spanish fascist cruisers and taken to Mediterranean islands off Barcelona.

(The only islands off Barcelona are the Balearics, lying to the southeast. The United Press Barcelona Bureau, in sending its dispatch, indicated that it was strictly limited for the present to the report cited. The admiralty at London, asked about the report, said that it had no knowledge of the capture of any British ships.—Ed.)

Nelson to Open YCL Drive for Spain Aid Fund

Continuing his efforts on behalf of the Republican government of Spain, Steve Nelson, veteran political Commissar of the Lincoln Battalion, will inaugurate a Young Communist League campaign to raise $3,000 by May 1 at a special meeting of state, county and branch leaders of the League at Webster Manor, 125 E. 11 St., Saturday, February 5, at 1:30 P.M.

The national president of the Y.C.L., Gil Green, will also address the meeting. He is expected to report on his recent trip through Europe and Mexico.

Members of the League's State Committee are confident that the campaign to raise money for Spain which Nelson will inaugurate will be heavily oversubscribed. They are advancing the slogan of "$1,500 by March 15."

Jaffe to Talk on Far East War at Workers School

An estimate of China's possibilities of driving out the Japanese invaders will be given by Philip J. Jaffe at a lecture this Saturday afternoon. Jaffe, who recently returned from the former Soviet areas of China where he had many interviews with leaders of the former Red Army, now the 8th Route Army, will speak on the question: "Can China Win?"

An editor of Amerasia, a leading magazine on American Asiatic relations, Jaffe is expected to deal with the development of the Kuomintang-Communist united front as well as with the military aspects of the war. The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Workers School, Saturday afternoon, February 5, at 2:30 P.M. at the School lecture hall, second floor, 35 E. 12th St.

Chile Communist, Socialist at C. P. Madrid Parley

MADRID, Feb. 3 (By Special Cable to the Spanish News Service). —Salvador Ocampo, member of the Chilian Communist Party and Bernardo Ibanez, representative of the Chilian Socialist Party, spoke at the Communist Party General Assembly in Madrid. They plead for a quick unification of the Marxist parties in Spain, and reiterated the intensification of aid to the Loyalist cause by the Chilian proletariat.

CIO Aid Means a New Deal for the Puerto Rican Dock Workers

Solidarity by National Maritime Union, New York Port Help Gives Native Workers Good Winning Chance

B. J. Enamorado Cuesta
(Member Puerto Rican Strikers Aid Committee—New York)

For over 30 years Puerto Rican labor has been organized under the banner of the "Federacion Libre de Trabajadores" (Free Federation of Labor) affiliated to the A. F. of L., under the leadership of Santiago Iglesias.

Iglesias, in addition to his "labor" activities is now Puerto Rican Resident Commissioner at Washington, D. C., and is dubbed by the natives of the island as "Deaf-and-Dumb"; for he has neither voice nor vote in Congress, except for an occasional "courtesy."

For over thirty years now, the sugar-field peons and dock workers have been exploited alike by the sugar-centrals and the steamship-companies—all one and the same Wall Street crowd, which has a strangle-hold on Puerto Rico. Time after time the peasants and workers have struck for better wages—which average 75 cents to $1.50 per day respectively, when there is work to be had—which is not over half the year.

The stubborn militancy of the strikes have very often resulted in a few pennies rise in wages, and often as not, the strikes were lost.

FORMER STRIKES BROKEN

The strikes that were lost were broken under the impact of murderous and frenzied attacks by the administration controlled armed police—with strikers being shot down like dogs.

Sell-outs between company agents and corrupt union officials have reaped a toll against the workers while a devilish swet shop situation has only elicited the most Olympic calm and indifference from the A. F. of L. leadership.

Iglesias, typical of the A. F. of L. leaders responsible for such conditions in the past in the ranks of Puerto Rican labor was meanwhile reported to have received $10,000 a year as the A. F. of L.'s "Latin American organizer."

But, just as the CIO threw forward a new Beacon of hope for the American workers, for the past year that militant organization has been active among the Puerto Rican toilers. There is consequently, a new spirit arising—a new hope for a brighter future on this highly exploited island.

Today, a struggle emphasising all the bitter facets of the class-war is taking place around the united strike of the Puerto Rican dock workers. Five weeks ago, these native longshoremen walked out demanding a raise from 32 cents an hour to 60 cents, and from 48 cents hourly for overtime to 90 cents.

SOLID BLOCKADE

Since the strike began, the dock workers have maintained a steel-tight blockade around the island. No cargo has since been landed on or delivered from a dock.

The New York lines which monopolize traffic between the island and Mainland ports, under protection of the United States Shipping Act, have this time, as before, taken recourse to every means at their disposal to break the strike. They tried first to have Governor Blanton Winship—their own man—step in and mobilize the police to protect scabs. They even threatened—thru their paid agents—to mobilize the National Guard to unload their ships, under excuse of "Act-of-God" clauses. They have with them the vigilante-minded local Chambers of Commerce, the land tenants associations, big corporation lawyers, etc.

But this time the steamship lines have failed famously in their endeavor to break the strike and whip the dock workers back into working conditions akin in every respect to forced labor.

What has happened?

It is all very simple. The Puerto Rican dock workers have now the support—hundred per cent offered and tendered—of the National Maritime Union, a C.I.O. affiliate, which has organized every man jack on board the steamers sailing to Puerto Rico from New York, Baltimore and Gulf ports.

LINES PARALYZED

And so the steamship lines face a very serious situation, with crews ready to back up their fellow workers in Puerto Rico and threatening a tieup of all their shipping in Atlantic ports, should the lines succeed in forcing the hand of a complacent Governor and sympathetic officials at Washington to club the strikers into submission.

Even that obliging friend of the Wall Street boys, Governor Blanton Winship, after leaving his sickbed in a military hospital, to act as chief of strike-breaking operations, has hesitated to apply force this time. Winship is the same who ordered the police concentration which resulted in the Ponce massacre last Palm Sunday.

He did issue an "ukase" last week, ordering the strikers back to work "in 48 hours." But the time limit has elapsed and all the Governor has dared to decree is a new meeting of ship-owners and dock workers representatives, failing to take any strongarm measures.

So the strike stands now. The workers have stood out in excellent spirits and they have to all appearances a 90 to 10 chance of winning their strike and getting half-decent wages in which to try to support their families.

Fake Japan-Made Film On 'Chinese Looting' Reported on Way Here

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 3.—WARNING!

A fake Japanese "news"-reel will soon be on its way to the United States to offset authentic newspaper reports of wild pillaging and raping by the Japanese soldiery in the cities which have fallen into their hands.

A Japanese newsreel outfit is filming scenes of looting by—Chinese peasants in cities occupied by the Japanese.

The peasants are herded at the point of bayonets to towns which have already been devastated by looting Japanese troops, and there they are forced to re-enact the scenes of pillage and murder.

After the entire scene is filmed, the booty is gathered up and distributed among the Japanese troops.

This film will be advertised in foreign countries as "proof" that the pillaging is perpetrated not by Japanese soldiers, but by the Chinese peasants themselves.

Daily Worker Correspondent, in Interview With Mexican Gov't Heads, Bares N. Y. Times Lies

RABBI RAPS TOKIO, URGES BOYCOTT

Washington Commonwealth to Hold Boycott Show in Seattle

In a statement issued to the Japanese Boycott Committee of the American League for Peace and Democracy, Rabbi Simon G. Kramer, of the Hebrew Institute of University Heights, stated in part:

"Japan in its unlawful invasion of China has deliberately broken international peace pacts and fair play for which the American people have always stood. I call upon all peace-loving people in our community to support the boycott of Japanese goods."

At the Aid China Rally to be held by the Bronx Division of the American League for Peace and Democracy, at Hunts Point Palace, 163rd St. and Southern Blvd., on Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 8 P. M., attractive models representing a score of Bronx League branches are going to stage a colorful Anti-Silk Fashion Parade to show the fashionable silk substitutes which the women of our nation can wear to make this boycott effective and by this action help maintain peace for America and the world.

The speakers at this meeting will include City Councilman Michael Quill, Rabbi Samuel M. Cohen and Miss Haru Matsui.

BOYCOTT SHOW IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 2.—A non-Japanese, anti-fascist food and style show, displaying merchandise, food and clothing of non-Japanese origin, will be held here Wednesday, Feb. 16, at one of Seattle's leading hotels, the New Washington, under sponsorship of the progressive Washington Commonwealth Federation youth section. The show has also endorsed by the Statewide Committee for the Boycott of Goods Made in Japan, according to Margaret Griffith, youth section executive secretary.

Boston Lenin Rally Assails Witch Hunt

New England Completes Quota in Daily Worker Drive

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—Twenty-four hundred persons, assembled here in Symphony Hall Sunday afternoon to pay tribute to the memory of Lenin, voted unanimously to send telegrams protesting continuation of the "red witch-hunt" now being staged by the Massachusetts State Legislature.

The large meeting also voted to send telegrams of protest against the appointment of Thomas Dorgan, red-baiting author of the Teachers Oath Bill, to the position of city legislative agent and against the closing down of two city hospitals. A wire was sent to Senator Lodge urging his support of the Wagner-Van Nuys Anti-Lynching Bill.

Speakers included Harry Cantor, who told of his experiences in the Soviet Union during the last five years; Pat Toohey, district organizer of the Communist Party in Philadelphia, who spoke on "Lenin and Our American Traditions"; and Phil Frankfeld, New England district organizer of the Communist Party, who reviewed the problems confronting the people in that area.

Cardenas Officials Hit Back at Slanders—Capitalist Press Seen Howling Over Tariff Rise in Fear of Losing Profits

By Alfred Miller

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 3.—The recent move of the Cardenas Administration to temporarily increase the tariff on all foreign imports to prevent devaluation on Mexican currency has caused a great deal of excitement in the American press. Some newspapers like the New York Times, for example, have come forward with the most vicious attacks against Mexico's progressive government.

Papers like the Evening Star speak of "a lasting blow against U. S. commerce," while editorially referring to the tariff increases. They maintain that this measure of President Cardenas "is contrary to the spirit of the Inter-American Conference for the Consolidation of Peace, held in Buenos Aires in 1936," and they demand strong counter-measures from the Roosevelt administration.

When papers that depend for their information on certain press agencies get excited, perhaps that is understandable. But when the N. Y. Times, which has one of its most experienced correspondents stationed in this city, carries stories which try to confound the issues, excite and confuse the American public, that leaves room for only one conclusion: the Times is using the tariff issue for an attack against the Cardenas government in an effort to protect American imperialist interests here.

On Jan. 20, last, the N. Y. Times saw "fit to print" on its front page a news story about the rise of Mexican tariffs by Frank L. Kluckhohn, its correspondent here. The story not only gave twisted and distorted information, but information that is in itself contradictory.

In his first paragraph the Times correspondent declares that "the avowed intention (of the Mexican government in increasing the tariff.—A. M.) is to eliminate all but machinery imports."

In an interview with the Daily Worker reporter, today, Mexico's Under-Secretary of Finance, Sr. Eduardo Villasenor, declared, regarding this assertion: "As can be seen by any person who cares to READ the presidential decree about the tariff increase, machinery is included in the increase and the correspondent himself, misconstruing the situation, takes notice of the duty increase on automobiles." In fact, Mr. Kluckhohn, himself, mentions that the tariff on heavy machinery was increased from 133 to 167½ per cent.

The Times correspondent goes on reporting that this tariff increase "coincides with the splitting of the Mexican labor movement by an inter-union struggle generated by a Board decision, while a new official Presidential decree and a Labor Board decision, while a new official party, whose keystone is expected to be the army, is being formed. All this is held to indicate a semi-Fascist tendency in the regime."

These two sentences are obviously calculated to bring progressive public opinion in the States in opposition to Cardenas. Needless to say, that not a word of the statement has any relation to the truth.

DENIES FASCIST TENDENCY

Asked for comment, Mexico's Finance Minister told your reporter: "The inter-union struggle in Mexico, as in most countries, is caused by other reasons than a mere decree of the Executive, and it is neither the inter-union struggle nor the increase of tariffs that can be considered as indications of fascist tendencies of the regime, except by people who use their own inclinations in place of common sense."

There is no "splitting of the Mexican labor movement," and the Cocolapan conflict between the C. R. O. M., Mexico's old labor organiza-

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To Enact Play at Philadelphia Lenin Meeting

Hathaway, Mother Bloor to Address Great Rally, Expect Thousands

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3. — The Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania will produce a full-length play at its Lenin Memorial Meeting, to be held on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 8 P. M. at Convention Hall, 34th St. below Spruce. It will be directed by Ruth Deason, Executive Secretary of the New Theatre. The music will be directed by Mendy Shain, director of the Freiheit Gesang Farein and the Philadelphia Music Center Chorus. The dances and choreography will be done by Merle Hirsh, leading Philadelphia dancer, and Malvina Fried.

C. A. Hathaway, editor-in-chief of the Daily and Sunday Worker, will give the principal address. Mother Bloor, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, will tell of her experiences in the Soviet Union. Pat Toohey, District Organizer of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania, will be the chairman.

Mexico Planes Watch For Arms Smuggling

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 3. — Ten Mexican army planes were sent today to the Mexico-United States border to watch for contraband arms shipments recently reported to the Government. Other planes, reliable sources said, would be sent south to patrol the Mexico-Guatemala border.

To Hit Rumania Anti-Semitism Tomorrow

To Demonstrate Before Rumania Consulate, to Lodge Protest

The anti-Semitic persecutions by fascist Government of Roumanian Premier, Octavian Goga, will be the subject of sharp protest by thousands of progressive New Yorkers at a demonstration Saturday morning at 11:30 o'clock, in front of the Roumanian Consulate, 1819 Broadway (near 59th St.).

A delegation of six, led by I. Amter, will attempt to see the Roumanian Consul General and present a petition containing specific charges of persecution of Jews and other national minorities in Roumania. The petition will emphatically declare that:

"American democracy will not tolerate anti-Semitism and fascism, no matter where it may manifest itself. Democracy must be preserved. The national minority groups must be protected!"

The New York State Committee of the Communist Party, under whose auspices the anti-Goga demonstration will take place, issued a statement calling upon Jews and gentiles, Negro and white, trade unionists and all liberty lovers, to turn out at the Roumanian Consulate on Saturday morning.

Let a WANT-AD solve that problem! Rent. Sell. Buy. Hire. Exchange.

Dates in the Life of Lenin

THE LAST DAYS OF LENIN

Following is the last in a series of eight articles listing important dates in the life of V. I. Lenin.

Dec. 30, 1920

Lenin comes forward at a discussion meeting at the fraction of Bolshevik delegates to the VIIIth Congress of Soviets with a speech on the trade unions against Trotsky and his counter-revolutionary conception of the role of the trade unions.

January, 1921

Lenin conducts a stubborn fight against the position of Trotsky and Bukharin on the question of the trade unions, revealing the counter-revolutionary character of Trotsky's point of view, who refuted trade union democracy, the role of the trade unions as a school of Communism, and proposed to act with methods of direct administration.

Lenin reveals the true basis of the counter - revolutionary positions of Trotsky and Bukharin—unbelief in the forces of the proletariat, the bourgeois and treacherous denial of the union of the working class and the peasantry, the anti-Bolshevik conception of the tasks of the trade unions.

March, 1921

Lenin leads the Xth Congress of the Party. The Congress, on the report of Lenin, adopts a decision on the New Economic Policy. The Congress adopts a resolution introduced by Lenin on the unity of the Party, which demands the adoption of the most relentless measures against members of the Central Committee who carry on factional work, to the extent of expelling them from the Party. This resolution was introduced by Lenin against the factional struggle of Trotsky.

June-July, 1921

Lenin leads the work of the III Congress of the Communist International.

Sept. 20, 1921

Lenin writes the article "On the Cleansing of the Party."

Nov. 5, 1921

Lenin wrote the article "On the Significance of Gold at Present and After the Complete Victory of Socialism."

March, 1922

Lenin leads the work of the XIth Congress of the Party.

April 9, 1922

Lenin wrote an article "We Have Paid Too Much," directed against Bukharin and Radek, concerning the agreement at the Berlin Conference of the three Internationals.

May 26, 1922

The first attack of Lenin's sickness with signs of partial paralysis of the right hand and right leg, and a slight disorder in speech.

Oct. 2, 1922

Lenin returns to Moscow and starts to work.

Nov. 13, 1922

Report on the New Economic Policy and the perspectives of the revolution at the IVth Congress of the Communist International.

Nov. 20, 1922

Lenin's last speech, at the Plenum of the Moscow Soviet on home and foreign policy.

Dec. 12, 1922

The last time that Lenin worked in his office in the Kremlin. Lenin's health becomes worse. The second attack of illness.

1923

Lenin dictates his last articles: "Pages from a Diary," "On cooperation," "Our Revolution," "Less, but Better."

March 9, 1923

Lenin's third attack of illness. Paralysis of the right half of the body and a sharp disorder in speech.

July, 1923

Lenin's health improves; his speech becomes better and he is able to move about.

Oct. 19, 1923

Lenin for the last time comes for several hours to Moscow from Gorky.

Jan. 21, 1924

The death of Lenin.

Jan. 23, 1924

Funeral train with Lenin's body arrives in Moscow and the coffin is placed in the Hall of Columns in the House of Trade Unions.

Jan. 23-27, 1924

Hundreds of thousands of workers, peasants, Red Army men and employees pass through the Hall of Columns, taking leave of Lenin.

Attention--Units, Mass Organizations!

Make your reservations now for the WELCOME BANQUET for delegates to the NATIONAL PARTY BUILDERS CONGRESS, Communist Party, U.S.A., tendered by the New York State Committee. Speakers: Earl Browder, Wm. Z. Foster and others, on Friday, February 18th, 7 P.M. at Manhattan Odd Fellows Temple, 105 E. 106th Street. Reservations, $2.50 per plate.

Entertainment: Master of Ceremonies, Muni Diamond, Mordecai Bauman, noted baritone, Rex Ingram Quartet, Manhattan Labor Concert Orchestra, Sylvia Miller, blues singer, Earl Robinson, American Ballet.

Limited number of individual reservations available at same price. Reservations at office of N. Y. State Comm. Communist Party, 35 E. 12th Street, Room 507.

Central Committee to Honor Party Builders at Huge Banquet Here Feb. 12

BROWDER AND FOSTER TO BE AT BANQUET

500 Delegates to Party Builders Congress to Be Feted Feb. 18

The Central Committee Communist Party, U. S. A., headed by Earl Browder and W. Z. Foster, will be present at a welcoming banquet which will be tendered by the New York State Committee at the Manhattan Odd Fellows Temple, Friday evening, Feb. 18, in honor of the 500 attending delegates at the opening of the National Party Builders Congress which will convene formally on the morning of the same date.

The New York State Committee announced that special invitations have been extended to party units and organizations requesting them to make reservations now for their delegates to the banquet. Party units are permitted to elect two outstanding members as official delegates to the banquet. The cost of reservations are $2.50 per plate.

Mordacai Bauman, noted baritone, and the Rex Ingram Quartette, famous Negro singers group, head a unique program of entertainment. Addresses from Browder and Foster and prominent members of the Central Committee and brief greetings by district organizers, who will be present from all parts of the country, will be delivered at the Builders Congress banquet.

STATE COMMITTEE TO BE HOST

In making public the arrangements for the banquet, Wm. E. Browder, New York State Finance Secretary declared; "The State Committee, will act as host to more than 500 visiting delegates to the National Party Builders Congress. The Committee has completed plans for accommodating over 1,000 guests.

"Due to the fact that less than 500 places of this amount are available for guest reservation, it is extremely imperative that party units and mass organizations make their reservations at once.

"Party units are permitted to elect two official delegates to the banquet. Reservations, however, must be made at once in order to insure places. Application should be made to Wm. E. Browder, Room 507, 35 E. 12th St."

Browder also announced that a limited number of places are available for individuals who desire to attend what promises to prove one of the most memorable party fete ever held.

Ohio District Passes Recruiting Quota; 131 New Members in Week

Only $250 to Go for Midwest Record Drive Williamson Sees District in Regular Recruiting Now

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 3.—The State Committee meeting of the Communist Party of Ohio which met here was able to record the completion of the official party building drive with another week of over one hundred recruits, having reached 131, John Williamson, State Secretary of the Communist Party, announced today.

"We wish to inform our Central Committee that the drive has created such understanding and enthusiasm in our ranks that party building will continue at what we hope shall be an ever increasing rapid pace," Williamson said. "We pledge to complete in full our registration by Lincoln's birthday and will also have three thousand five hundred dues payments in the month of February.

"We are also determined to immediately increase our tempo of work for the Midwest Daily Record and confirm having sent today an additional $500.00 bringing us within $250.00 of reaching our quota."

Pecan Workers Protest Civil Rights Curb

Police Ban Pickets of 8,000 Strikers at San Antonio

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Feb. 3.—Pecan workers, who have been on strike since last Monday against the Delicious Pecan Company here, appealed today to Governor James V. Allred to restore their civil rights which are being flagrantly violated by local police and government officials.

Action was taken by officials of the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing, and Allied Workers, CIO, which has been leading the strike of 8,000, after San Antonio police forcibly smashed all picket lines around the struck plant this morning.

The police gesture followed on the heels of a decree issued yesterday by the city government denying the strikers a permit to collect food and other contributions.

Not to be daunted, however, the strikers held two large mass meetings last night and were making arrangements for a giant rally Friday afternoon to welcome Donald Henderson, international president of the union, who is flying in from Washington to take charge of the strike. The full weight of the CIO is expected to be thrown into the struggle of the pecan workers who are fighting for an increased standard of living and working conditions.

Auto with Four Dead Raised From Iced Lake

ALGONAC, Mich., Feb. 3 (UP).—A sedan which plunged through the ice of Lake St. Clair into 60 feet of water, carrying four persons to their death, was located with grappling hooks today.

A block-and-tackle outfit rigged up on a bluff on Dickinson Island was being used to pull the automobile out of the water.

State Police found a large hole in the ice after four persons were reported missing. They left Detroit Sunday for a cottage on Dickinson Island, four miles from the Michigan mainland.

Oakley Johnson to Talk At Workers School

BALTIMORE, M. D., Feb. 3.—Professor Oakley Johnson will speak on "What Is Happening in the Soviet Union" at the Workers School Forum, 322-24 W. Franklin St., Sunday at 8:15 P. M.

Oakley Johnson, formerly Professor of English at the College of the City of New York, and Assistant Professor of English for two years at the Moscow State Pedagogical Institute of Foreign Languages, has recently returned from the Soviet Union.

TODAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF

Petition to Remove Suffolk Judge Filed

ALBANY, Feb. 3 (UP).—A petition seeking removal of Suffolk County Judge Barron Hill and District Attorney Lindsey Henry was filed with Gov. Lehman today by the Slovak Manor Investors Association.

The petition was signed by Peter Klesinec but was not made public.

The executive offices said the Governor would give the usual consideration to the petition.

Dixie Daxis Gets Writ of Habeas Corpus

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3 (UP).—Quarter sessions Judge James M. Barnett granted a writ of Habeas Corpus today to Julius Richard (Dixie) Davis, wanted in New York on charges of conspiracy in a $100,000,000 lottery racket.

The writ is returnable before Judge Barnett at 10 A.M. tomorrow.

Car Kills Man, Injures Friend in Long Branch

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Feb. 3 (UP).—Henry J. McCarthy, 44, of 293 Brighton Ave., Long Branch, N. J., was struck by an automobile and killed today as he was crossing the street with a woman companion, Miss Frances T. Sherry, 37, of 38 Matilda Terrace, Long Branch.

Miss Sherry suffered a fractured right leg. Police said the car was driven by Mrs. Cdarice P. Evans, 41, of 404 Pary Place, Long Branch. She was released in $2,000 bail for later hearing.

Tuberculosis Cases Decrease in 1937

ALBANY, Feb. 3.—New tuberculosis cases in New York State last year totaled 5,816, a decrease of 434 from 1936, the State Health Department reported today.

Movie Theatre Burns, But Audience Escapes

ABERDEEN, Md., Feb. 3.—Volunteer firemen from five towns battled for almost two hours before bringing under control today flames which threatened for a time to spread from a movie theater to other buildings in the business section.

Worker Injured in Blast At Fireworks Plant

SMITHFIELD, R. I., Feb. 3.—Ralph Vallente, 22, was critically injured when fireworks, which he was compounding, exploded at a factory in an outlying section of this town today.

Five Million Gypped from Beer Drinkers

Consumers of New York State were overcharged approximately $5,000,000 for beer last year and duped to the tune of more than $13,000,000 in the past five years, William Fellowes Morgan, Jr., Commissioner of Markets, announced yesterday.

As a result of a flood of complaints from tavern and restaurant owners, the Markets Department conducted a quiet investigation which disclosed that nearly every brewery serving New York State, including several European firms, has been giving less than the true measure of beer, he said.

This short measure of barreled beer caused a reduced 10-cent glass of lager, Morgan said, thus making the public pay as though there was an increase in wholesale prices.

With measuring cans, inspectors of the Bureau of Weights and Measures, examined the contents of the barreled beer. The survey showed that 25 brewery establishments have been violating the law with short measures ranging from 1 quart to 1 gallon a barrel. They also discovered 50 civil violations of the law.

Chairman J. Warren Madden of the National Labor Relations Board is shown with Sen. M. M. Neely (left) chairman of the subcommittee at the Senate probe of the NLRB.

Tory Attacks on NLRB Sharply Hit by Madden

Demand for Inquest Based on 'Misinformation, Half-Truths and Trivialities,' He Says; Cites Supreme Court Victory

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Chairman J. Warren Madden of the National Labor Relations Board, defending the agency against charges of bias and incompetency, testified today that demands for Congressional investigation by Sen. Edward R. Burke, D., Neb., are based on "misinformation, half-truths and trivialities."

Before the Senate Judiciary Committee which is considering Burke's resolution for an investigation, Madden admitted that NLRB has made mistakes and has been "severely criticized," but said "much of the criticism could have been avoided by compromising the principles of the (Wagner) Act."

"We have chosen instead vigorously to put into effect the principles of the act," Madden said. "And we shall continue to do so.

"This law, in the field of labor relations, has been in legal effect now for about ten months. We have had no starry-eyed illusions about remaking the social order. We have had no commission to do anything of the kind. Our charter has been the statute itself, as enacted by the Congress. Our ambition has been to do an orderly, workmanlike, professional job within the limitations of that charter.

NEW FREEDOM

"We have seen millions of American workmen avail themselves of a freedom which they never had before last April. We have seen thousands of employers put their relations with their employes upon a basis of equal and mutually self-respecting bargaining, who had never done so before. We have seen telling blows dealt at the despicable practice of corrupting American workmen by hiring them to spy upon and betray their fellow workmen for exercising their natural and legal rights."

The NRLB chairman answered point by point charges and testimony made by Burke before the committee last week.

Referring first to Burke's assertion that the board and its staff was "thoroughly incompetent," Madden cited the difficulties of administering the act during the period its constitutionality was questioned. He then pointed out that the board has been upheld in every case decided by the Supreme Court and that all but one of the injunctions against the NLRB now has been dissolved.

COURT DECISION 'COMPLETE ROUT'

"In this complete rout of those who sought to obstruct and delay and thwart the will of Congress . . ." Madden said, ". . . I assert that a more competent and workmanlike piece of legal staff work has never been done by an agency or enterprise, either in or out of the Government.

". . . It is ridiculous and unfair to charge with incompetence a legal staff which in this long and difficult struggle was exactly right in every position which it took and every move it made."

He denied the board was biased in favor of the Committee for Industrial Organization and asserted that the 20 cases where the American Federation of Labor and the CIO contested the interpretation of an appropriate bargaining unit, the A. F. of L. won 14 decisions and the CIO won six.

FREEDOM OF PRESS FABLE

Madden contended that the controversial subpena which was issued to Hartley W. Barclay, editor of the magazine, Mill and Factory, was for the purpose of having Barclay present evidence which might determine "whether the respondent company (Weirton Steel Co.) had had any part in writing or causing to be written or distributed an article . . . which roundly condemned the outside union and praised the alleged company-dominated union."

"I can think of no precedent or conceivable reason," Madden said, "why an editor who has knowledge of something which is relevant to the issue of the trial or hearing of a public cause should not be under exactly the same duty as any other citizen to appear and give evidence."

Rains Bring Flood Peril To Midwest

Midwest Cold Wave Breaks, East Still Frigid, Fear Illinois Floods

(By United Press)

Unseasonably warm weather and heavy rains, carried eastward by gales from the Pacific Coast, brought new flood dangers to Northern Illinois yesterday.

The Midwestern cold wave was broken but freezing temperatures prevailed on the Eastern seaboard. U. S. forecaster C. A. Donnel said warmer temperatures would reach that area by tonight.

Government engineers feared that a sudden rise in temperatures would loose a potential flood stored in an 80-mile stretch of thick ice on the Rock River from Rockford, Ill., to the Mississippi.

The ice was dynamited South of Moline, Ill., in an attempt to prevent damage to a $500,000 bridge under construction across the river.

A steady rain was falling in the area, but engineers reported the river had shown no appreciable rise.

Dynamiting failed to break a jam near Sterling, Ill. The ice moved slowly downstream for a few hundred feet and piled up near a bridge recently completed by the state. It was believed the span was not in any immediate danger.

Winds which lashed the Pacific Coast were subsiding but heavy precipitation was reported.

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Hague's Grand Jury Indicts Catholic Leader on Framed Election Charge

Longo of Holy Name Society to Answer Charges Over WEVD

In an attempt to silliminate any and every opposition to his anti-labor policies, Boss "Herod" Hague has had his Hudson County Grand Jury indict John Longo, secretary of the Catholic Holy Name Society and chairman of the Hudson County Citizens' Committee, on an obviously framed-up charge of election fraud.

Longo announced yesterday that the charges against him were based on the forced and false testimony of various citizens of Hudson County and extracted from them by methods of bribe, intimidation and in some cases actual violence.

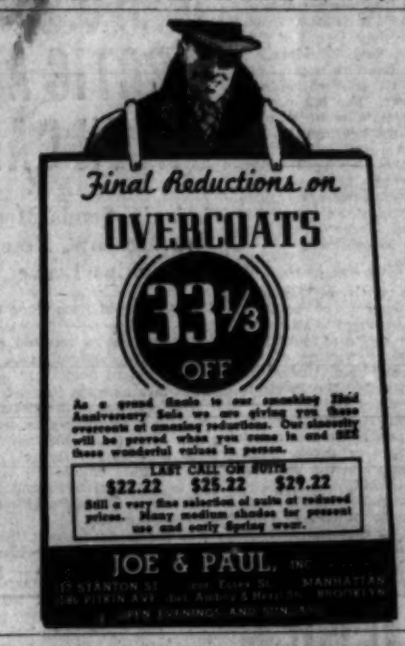
Former Congressman Vito Marcantonio, who has been retained as chief counsel, yesterday stated that he would appear for Longo in Hudson County Common Pleas Court today "in an effort to save Longo from being railroaded to jail."

Last September Longo was designated leader of a group of young men who attempted to run in the Democratic primary against Hague's candidates for County offices. They filed a complete ticket and used as their major slogan—"Young Democrats Marching with Roosevelt."

This opposition was embarrassing to Boss Hague and he and his henchmen immediately took steps to break the ticket, by fair means or foul, but preferably foul. Unsuccessful in this first attempt to crush this young, but formidable, opposition, Hague's County Clerk Bach ruled the slate off the ballot charging that "the Young Democrats' petitions were fraudulently obtained and contained forgeries." It is in the light of these circumstances that today's Hague's Grand Jury is indicting Longo.

At the same County Clerk Bach was ruling their slate off the ballot, the Young Democrats themselves charged, that Hague's petitions "reeked with fraud and contained literally thousands of fake names and thousands of others signed by the one and same person." But the Young Democrats do not control the Hudson County Grand Jury nor any other Grand Jury while Boss Hague is vacationing in Florida.

In a statement issued yesterday, which he will amplify upon when he speaks over WEVD with Marcantonio early next week, Longo said: "I'll show that the Grand Jury is nothing but a puppet body for Boss Hague. That it has repeatedly refused to indict or even investigate wholesale violations of fraud and corruption of the Hague machine. That many members of this body are either members of Hague's payroll, obtained political jobs after completing their terms on the jury, or else received fat contracts for county and city projects. The whole thing is an outrage and should be condemned by all citizens who love justice."



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Brophy Warns Labor Of Fascist Aims in Military Control Bill

Message to All CIO Unions Cites Anti-Labor, Rigid Regimentation Provisions in Sheppard-Hill Bill, Calls for Wide Protest

(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.--Warning of the danger to labor in the Sheppard-Hill bill which would place labor under rigid military control in the event of war, was sent to all C.I.O. affiliates in a letter issued today by John Brophy, Director.

The letter calls attention to the anti-labor provisions in the bill, which has been widely promoted as a measure to stop war profiteering.

"This bill, H.R. 6704," Brophy states, "is the most recent of many attempts that have been made to subject the free American labor movement to a fascist regime in the event of a war. The bill pretends merely to regulate production and prevent war profiteering. Its true nature, however, is scarcely concealed, since this bill gives the President full power to fix the price and compensation of services, to control industrial organizations, and to fix the conditions under which any business may be operated.

IMPOSES $1,000 FINE

It imposes a penalty of $1,000 or a year's imprisonment, or both, so that in effect the right to strike and other collective action of mutual aid and protection by workers of this country is prohibited. Under the provisions of this bill the President would fix the wages and other conditions of employment and any attempt on the part of workers to ask for higher wages or shoter hours would be subjected to the penalties provided in this bill."

The letter concludes by urging all C.I.O. affiliates to protest to Congressmen and Senators, and to write to each member of the House Military Affairs Committee, where the bill is now pending.

WELFARE CUT IN CLOTHES BRING 4 SITDOWNS

Slash in Allowance Brings Protest of Workers Alliance

Protesting the rescinding of relief clothing allotment and cuts in rent allowances, the Workers Alliance of New York began a sit-in at four relief offices in Manhattan, Bronx, and Queens, last night.

The four affected stations are at 202 E. 29th St., where 75 men, women, and children are sitting-in; 74 W. 124th St., Harlem, into which a similar number of persons moved in; 2121 41st Ave., Long Island City, involving 100 persons; and 1475 Williamsbridge Rd., the Bronx, where 25 women began a sit-in, demanding jobs on the WPA seamstress project.

Police immediately threw guards around the building and announced that no food would be permitted to enter. Large picket lines, with banners and placards, took up the struggle of the unemployed outside the struck relief stations. Their signs called for increased relief allowances, food and clothing, and denounced Victor F. Ridder, anti-labor head of the State Welfare Department, who assumed command over New York relief on Jan. 1.

MOBILIZE TODAY

Today, the Alliance expects to mobilize every one of its members for a continuous campaign of protest to relief authorities until their reduced budget is raised to standards which meet with present day relief requirements. The successive economies in disbursements, always to the detriment of relief recipients, has made for a situation which is rapidly becoming desperate, Alliance spokesmen said.

Particularly at this time of the year, it was pointed out, when winter frosts incapacitate the poor whose meagre clothing are insufficient to offset the cold, the relief authorities have seen fit to reduce the clothing allowance from $500,000 in January to $150,000 in February and then to recall even that small figure.

The excuse offered by the Welfare Department for the abrogation is necessity of transferring 10,000 relief recipients to WPA jobs. Most of the transfers involve laborers on outdoor projects and their clothing needs must be filled before other relief clients can receive wearing apparel, officials stated.

Another Welfare Department order which has drawn the fire of the Alliance, is the one which deals with rent allowances. Under new provisions, persons being transferred to WPA will receive only enough to supposedly cover food and household expenses. Formerly, the home relief bureau also issued rent checks to those receiving WPA jobs, pending receipt of their first WPA salaries.

Socialists in Finnish Parliament Greet Head Of Spanish Cortes

BARCELONA, Feb. 3 (By Cable to the Spanish News Service).—The President of the Spanish Cortes today received a telegram of greetings from the Socialist group of the Finnish Parliament.

He also received a cable from the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation minority in the Canadian Parliament congratulating the Spanish Cortes and wishing the Spanish Republic a quick victory.

AWAIT U.S.S.R. ARCTIC AID WITH CALM

Papanin Sends Message to Moscow, Rescue Ships Leave

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afternoon, Moscow received a radio message from Papanin giving details of their present plight.

Papanin's message follows:

"In the region of the station the ice field is continuing to disintegrate into fragments not more than 70 meters [231 feet] long. Fissures from one to five meters [3.3 to 16.5 feet] wide, and water lanes up to 50 meters [165 feet], have appeared.

"As far as can be seen, the ice-floes are shifting in position, making the landing of an airplane impossible.

"We live in the silk tent on an ice floe measuring 50 by 30 meters [165 by 99 feet]. We have placed the second mast of the aerial antenna on another ice floe and have our food supply for three months, the apparatus and our results. Regards to all.

"PAPANIN."

On instructions of the Soviet Government, Schmidt sent the following reply to Papanin:

ADMIRE BOLSHEVIK PLUCK

"The Government has been informed of your telegram. They are all filled with admiration for your courage and Bolshevik pluck in such difficult times for you.

"They all send you warm greetings and are convinced that in the heroic struggle against the elements, your courageous group will emerge the victor.

"The Government has agreed to a number of new measures to rush aid to you. On Feb. 3, the Taimyr will set with Ostaltsev, and the Murmanets has been given the task of unfailingly breaking through to you. The Yermak is being rushed into readiness. I am leaving on the Yermak. "SCHMIDT."

SPARE NO EFFORTS

Schmidt flashed instructions to the Murmanetz to speed at full steam towards the explorers' camp, reporting every hour on headway made. He gave "absolute orders not to spare any efforts in this historic task."

Arctic experts here declared that the Arctic cyclone which had swept across the Greenland Sea, sending huge cracks through the huge ice-floes, had driven the explorers further away from Greenland. The cyclone, they said, swept down from the northwest.

At present Papanin and his three companions, Ernest Krenkel, Eugene Fedorov and Peter Shirshov, are between 55 and 60 miles from the nearest inhabitated point of land, the Norwegian Arctic weather station at Migg Bay.

The Norwegian Arctic radio station at Jan Mayen Land, toward which the Papanin camp is drifting, is about as far away as the Murmanetz, 400 kilometers or 250 miles.

This island is completely ice-free and is readily reached by ship. Nearby are smooth ice-surfaced inlets which may be used as a landing field for the airplanes being brought by the rescue ships.

WILL BE SAFER AFTER STORM

As soon as the storm dies down, it was said, the polar ice fields will resume drifting towards the Greenland coast down to Jan Mayen Land.

The ice blocks will begin to freeze together agin, the alternate break-up and re-freezing being a regular occurrence at this season of the year.

The re-formed floes will be fairly jagged, however, probably preventing airplanes from landing directly on them. The position of the explorers will be safer, however.

Radio communication day and night is being maintained with the explorers' station, operated by operator Krenkel, from Arctic stations at Archangel, Dickson Island, Rudolf Island, Barentsberg, Novaya Zemlya and Anderma, as well as from the Murmanetz.

The reception on the wave lengths used by Krenkel is reported good. He uses the call letters UPOL and RAEM.

Petrovsky Hailed By USSR on HIS 60th Birthday

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Friday, Feb. 4.—The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. today sent congratulations to Gregory Petrovsky, chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, upon his 60th birthday.

Petrovsky also received congratulations from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.

Aid to Kin Fails

John Melvin Bonner, 15, is shown in a Washington, D. C., hospital recuperating from a skin-grafting operation which failed. The doctors attempted to grow skin on the lad's cousin, Clara Howard, who was badly burned, by joining his skin to the girl's burns. For twelve days they were joined, and Bonner grew so weak they had to be separated. The girl then underwent another operation.

FDR TO CONFER WITH 40 HOUSE PROGRESSIVES

Maverick Heads Group of 40 to Talk on New New Deal Bills

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crats, Minnesota Farmer-Laborites and Wisconsin Progressives with practically every important region of the country represented.

Several representatives from the south and southwest are associated with the group including Maverick, W. D. McFarlane and Lyndon B. Johnson, also of Texas, Luther Patrick of Alabama, and Sam C. Massingale of Oklahoma.

Minnesota Farmer-Laborites and Wisconsin Progressives who have been involved in the work of the bloc include John T. Bernard, Henry Teigan and Dewey Johnson, of Minnesota, and Gerald J. Boileau, Thomas R. Amlie, Gardner R. Withrow, George J. Schneider, and Merlin Hull of Wisconsin.

Among the Western Progressives in the bloc are John M. Coffee and Charles H. Leavy of Washington, H. Jerry Voorhis, Charles J. Colden, Thomas F. Ford and Ed Izac of California; Jerry O'Connell of Montana, Walter M. Pierce of Oregon and John A. Martin of Colorado.

FARM STATES REPRESENTED

Representatives from farm states include C. G. Binderup of Nebraska; Edwin C. Eicher, Otha D. Wearin, and William J. Jacobson of Iowa; Fred H. Hildebrandt of South Dakota, and John M. Houston of Kansas.

Midwest representatives include Frank W. Fries, Kent E. Keller and Hugh M. Rigney of Illinois, John Luecke of Michigan, Herbert S. Bigelow of Ohio and Robert L. Ramsay of West Virginia.

Representatives from eastern states include Robert G. Allen, Matthew W. Dunn, Michael J. Bradley, Charles H. Eckert and James H. Gildea of Pennsylvania, and David J. Lewis of Maryland.

3 Seamen Indicted for Inciting Algic Revolt Released on Bail

Three seamen indicted last week in Brooklyn on charges of inciting revolt on the freighter Algic pleaded not guilty yesterday before Federal Judge Matthew T. Abruzzo. They were held in bail of $500 each for trial March 2.

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Fur Union Charges Big Bosses Plotted Lockout

Potash Reveals Scheme Aimed at Smaller Manufacturers, Cut Skin Prices at Expense to Fur Workers

Irving Potash, manager of the Furriers Joint Council yesterday charged that the lockout scheduled by the Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturers, Inc., for Feb. 11 is a plot on the part of the larger plant owners against the smaller trimming places and has long been planned as a move to force down the price of raw fur skins.

Potash warned the manufacturers that while the aim of the larger bosses, who control the Association, is at the living standards of the workers they are at the same time ruining the season for the entire industry, and its many manufacturers who do agree to maintain union conditions.

Union leaders predicted that the lockout tactic will serve no purpose for the employers in this fully organized industry. A special meeting of the Joint Council will meet Saturday morning to consider the situation in the light of later developments. This will be followed by a conference of shop chairmen and shop committees next Thursday, on the eve of the scheduled lockout, at which the union's counter-strategy will be organized.

A general mass meeting of all the 15,000 members of the Joint Council will be called shortly after at which the full strength of the organization will be released.

PROVOCATION CHARGED

"It is very clear that the leaders of the Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturers, Inc., are deliberately and conciously aiming to provoke a general strike in the fur industry of New York City," Potash said. "It is further clear that in making that decision the leaders of the fur association are adopting a policy that is calculated to be harmful not only to the fur workers but to the entire industry as well.

"They aim to weaken the union and take away fro mthe fur workers their hard-won union standards.

"A handful of fur coat manufacturers who dominate the association deliberately plan to ruin the season for the fur trimming manufacturers who manufacture collars and cuffs for the cloak industry in order to benefit the coat manufacturers at the expense of the trimming manufacturers. The same policy of the Association several years ago resulted in a split of the association, with the trimming manufacturers finding it necessary to set up their own association.

PLOTTED LOCKOUT BEFORE

"The leaders of the Association had planned a lockout during the year of 1937 in order to bring about a reduction in prices of raw fur skins but were unable to do so because of the existance of a collective agreement with the union. They are therefore seeking to take advantage of the fact that this agreement has now expired, and to bring such a lockout at this time at the expense of the fur workers.

"The union charges that the leaders of the Association have entered into a conspiracy to bring about the fixing of prices of fur garments to suit their own purposes.

Potash cited agreements in other "banking interests which have entered the fur industry for speculative purposes in 1937, are interested in forcing a strike upon the industry at the expense of the fur workers in order to eliminate small manufacturers from the industry."

Potash cited agreement in other needle trades industries in which the demand for equal division of work and no discharge has long ago been realized.

Leading lights of the Association gave full vent to their union-busting sentiments at a fanufacturers meeting in Hotel Pennsylvania Wednesday night. Louis F. White, president of the Association said that "the right to fire and hire must be ours at all times. We are in a fight for the existance of our businesses."

Alarm by Nurse Saves Hospital As Blaze Flares

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 3 (UP).—A general alarm fire broke out in a wing of the nurses home adjoining St. Francis Hospital today but was brought under control after 270 nurses fled to safety.

Firemen prevented the blaze from spreading to the hospital, 40 feet away, where nearly 500 patients were confined.

A nurse, assisting at a major operation in the operating room overlooking the home, gave the first alarm by leaving the room and telephoning to the home.

Twenty-six night nurses were aroused from their sleep by nuns who passed through the smoke-filled dormitories. They remained in the building until they accounted for every occupant.

Within two hours after the alarm was sounded the fire was extinguished the nurses were allowed to reenter the five-story rambling structure and take up quarters in the undamaged portion of the home.

City Ferryboat Goes Aground, Fast 3 Hours

The municipal ferryboat, American Legion, with 200 passengers aboard, went aground on Robbins Reef yesterday and stayed there almost three hours, while police and fire launches and a coast guard cutter sought it in dense fog which enveloped New York harbor.

The ferry, plying between Manhattan and Staten Island, had been stuck an hour before office employes realized that the boat was lost.

Where Fascist Bombs Killed 14

Scene in Villejuif, Paris suburb, where 3,000 hand grenades which had been seized from the fascist terrorist gang, the Cagoulards, exploded. The police were transferring them from the police laboratory to the military depot when the disaster occurred.

WITH the UNIONS

SLRB Rules in Favor of Insurance Union in Labor Dispute

The State Labor Relations Board, in the first decision on labor relations in the insurance field, yesterday ruled that industrial insurance agents are employes and that insurance companies are subject to the provisions of the Doyle-Neustein Act.

The decision was levied by Leon Berney, insurance director of the United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, as setting a precedent for the handling of cases now pending against the major companies.

The Board ordered the Workingmen's Co-operative Insurance Association, 63 Park Row, to reinstate two men with back pay, fired six weeks ago; cease and desist from all unfair labor practices, and called for a collective bargaining election within 20 days.

The union has filed petitions for certification as sole bargaining agency for Prudential and Colonial agents, and charges the Metropolitan with sponsoring a company union, firing union men and refusing to bargain.

Charges against the John Hancock company will be heard at the regional office of the National Labor Relations Board Wednesday morning.

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PHOTO-ENGRAVER STRIKE ENDS

The three-day strike of 1,600 photo-engravers, which tied up all commercial shops in the city, came to an end yesterday when the last independent and Board of Trade employers signed agreements with the Photo-Engravers' Union, Local 1, Edward White, union president, announced.

The two-year contract provides for a reduction of hours for day men from 36 hours to 35 and from 36 to 34½ for night men. All other points in the agreement are those which were in effect in the old contract.

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NURSES TO PROTEST LICENSING AT RALLY

Opposition to the licensing of practical nurses, provided for in the Esquirol-Todd Bill, now before the State Legislature, will be voiced tonight at a mass meeting of nurses called by Locals 128 and 129 of the State, County and Municipal Workers, at the Manhattan Industrial High School.

The CIO union is sponsoring the Wagner-Ivingston Bill for amendment of the Nurse Practice Act. The Esquirol bill is supported by the New York State Nurses' Association. M. Luciel McGorkey, director of the hospital division of the CIO union, will speak at tonight's meeting.

Tokio Lines Hammered in China Attacks

Japan Rushes Men to Bolster Threatened Positions

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sive Monday on the right flank of the curving front near Wuhu, but were repulsed after sharp fighting.

Then the Chinese command sent its troops into a counter-attack at key points along the front to prevent Japanese from consolidating their positions.

The Japanese are digging in strongly between Changsing and Huchow. Concrete-and-steel pill-boxes are being thrown up hurriedly and a network of trenches is being built.

The Chinese command estimates the number of Japanese troops along this whole front to exceed 30,000 men, equipped with 80 warplanes, more than 100 tanks and some 500 field guns.

In the Hangchow district alone, where Japanese positions have been held only at heavy cost in the face of repeated Chinese combined guerrilla and regular attacks, 8,000 Japanese soldiers are holding the salient.

The lull in action along the Shantung sector of the Central Front, where fighting has centered during recent days around Pengpu and Penyang, is explained here as presaging large-scale engagements as soon as both sides bring up reinforcements.

A thrust by Japanese at the Twaian-Nanking highway skirting the Grand Canal has been turned aside, at least for the time being, by quick action by the Chinese command.

NIPPON ADVANCE STALLS

To hold the Japanese advance, the Chinese ripped up the southern portion of the highway and opened up the sluices of the canal at a village near Hwaian, letting the flood waters cover the countryside.

The delay will permit Chinese troops stationed to the east of the highway, whom the Japanese had hoped to trap by the surprise offensive, to fortify their positions and bring up reinforcements.

Japanese airplanes meanwhile are raining bombs upon Suchow junction, where the East-West Lunghai railway and the Tientsin-Bukow railway cross. The Lunghai road links the seaport of Haichow to Chengchow station on the Peiping-Hankow railway.

Five Japanese planes Monday dropped seven bombs on Suchow, destroying many homes.

DARE-TO-DIE CHINESE BLOW UP MUNITION DUMPS

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

HANKOW, Feb. 3.—A "dare-to-die" band of Chinese guerrillas evaded Japanese lookouts and penetrated to the center of Wuhu, up-river from Nanking, where they blew up several Japanese munitions dumps, it was reported today from the front.

The Japanese battalions fighting south of Wuhu have been pressed back to the Yangtze River by a relentless Chinese counter-offensive, in which regular and guerrilla units combine for most effective action to harass the Japanese.

Fierce fighting lasting for several days was reported in the Hesian area south of Nanking. The outcome of the battle was not mentioned in dispatches.

Reports from the Tientsin-Pukow railway sector of the Central front in Anhwei province declare that the Japanese have concentrated 90,000 for their drive there to cut through to the vital railway junction at Suchow.

Chinese troops opened another counter-offensive here Tuesday, while fighting was also renewed in the area southwest of Linhwekwan.

Japanese casualties during recent fighting mounted to 6,000, dispatches from the front said.

Roosevelt Has Quiet Day

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—President Roosevelt remained in his study in the White House today, but sent word to his Executive Office that he was in the best of health. He had no appointments for the day.

HAGUE MEN GIVE RUNAROUND TO INVESTIGATORS

No One Knows Anything as Guards Stationed at Ballot Vaults

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 3.—Three members of the four-man Hudson County Board of Elections testified today and made an already ridiculous situation even more ridiculous as the Legislative Committee investigating fraud in last November's gubernatorial elections opened its hearing.

Two Republicans and a Democrat were heard by the committee. They contradicted each other, the Republicans testifying they knew of no resolution authorizing a police guard around the vault in which repose the ballots that elected Governor Moore over State Senator Lester H. Clee.

Patrick Sullivan, the Democratic member of the Board, however, told the probe committee that the Board convened last Friday and voted to throw a guard around the election board office.

The fourth member of the Board, John J. Corcoran, a Democrat, is still confined to his home with illness, unable to appear.

STATEMENTS CONTRADICT

George H. Sheetz, chairman of the Board, and Andrew O. Wittreich were the first witnesses called by James F. Murray, counsel of the committee which was the butt of a typical Mayor Hague run-around this week, as it sought to carry out a New Jersey Legislature authorization to examine ballots and other documents in the disputed election.

Each said that no resolution calling for police guard around the Board offices was voted. Sheets told the committee that he had no objection to opening the safe in the absence of County Commissioner of Registration, Charles F. Stoebling who is paid to be ill, and that he would call a meeting of his Board later today and attempt to pass a resolution directing Miss Alice Seglie, Stoebling's secretary, to open the vault.

Miss Seglie, one of the 15 persons subpoenaed by the Committee, has refused so far to yield the safe combination without the approval of her superior.

Wittreich said that he, too, is willing to direct Miss Seglie to open the vault.

"I think this is a ridiculous situation," he declared.

A member of the committee then asked him if he knew the whereabouts of Corcoran and if he had heard that Corcoran was under a sedative.

"There will probably be a lot more sedatives in Hudson County pretty soon," he replied.

Sullivan was put through a searching inquiry.

"Who attended the meeting at which the resolution was passed?" he was asked.

"All four commissioners," he answered.

Q. Did you see the resolution?
A. No.
Q. But you voted on it?
A. We all did.
Q. Who was present?
A. Mr. Corcoran, Mr. Sheetz, Mr. Wittreich and myself.
Q. Who read the resolution?
A. I think Corcoran did.
Q. What, in substance, did the resolution say?

A. That the vault should be guarded until Stoebling gave orders to open it.

Questioned as to his authority to give orders to guard the vault, Sullivan replied:

"We're the two Democratic Commissioners. Any one commissioner can give orders."

Recalled to the stand, Sheets reiterated that no resolution placing a guard around the vault had been passed. He said he was the only member of the board authorized to put a resolution to vote.

Mayor Frank Hague, boss of Hudson County, who once stated he was for law and order, was still sunning himself in Florida today.

Senate Group to Call Perkins to Maritime Hearing

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—The Senate Commerce Committee voted unanimously today to summon Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins for questioning in connection with pending Maritime Labor Legislation and the citizenship of Harry Bridges, West Coast Union Leader.

Decision to call the Cabinet member came after Ralph Emerson, Legislative Representative of the National Maritime Union, quoted her as being still opposed to compulsory arbitration of seamen's disputes.

The committee, which is inquiring into all phases of the Maritime Industry, indicated it wishes to determine whether there is a conflict of views between Miss Perkins and Chairman Joseph P. Kennedy, of the Maritime Commission.

Man Trapped 3 Hours on River Rock Is Rescued

LOWELL, Mass. Feb. 3.—A man trapped for nearly eight hours on a clump of rocks in the middle of the swift Merrimack River was rescued in a breeches buoy by coast guardsmen today.

Identified as Edward J. Giblin, a musician, about 30, he was hurried to St. Joseph's Hospital here. He was only partly conscious.

His dark overcoat was frozen stiff and his face and hands were almost black from exposure to a 10-degree temperature.

Doctors said he had a "fair" chance of recovery because of his strong constitution. He had frozen feet and possibly frozen hands.

Urge Immediate Aid to Stamp Out Syphilis, Venereal Diseases at Social Hygiene Parley

Important contributions on the causes, consequences and cure of venereal diseases were made by outstanding specialists in that field at the all-day Regional Conference on Social Hygiene, planned and organized by the New York Tuberculosis and Health Association's Social Hygiene Committee and fifty-seven other sponsoring agencies, at the Hotel Astor yesterday.

Because of the widespread interest in reducing the prevalence of social diseases in the New York area, both the eighth and tenth floors of the Astor were used to accommodate the crowds. The list of speakers included forty-eight well-known public health authorities, social workers and educators.

Dr. John L. Rice, commissioner of the Department of Health for New York City, in his report on the expended activity of the Bureau of Social Hygiene, divulged that "The number of cases examined in 1937 amounted to about 67,000, representing an increase of 36 per cent over the [illegible] year." He also pointed out that "the number of cases accepted for treatment amounted to about 22,000, representing an increase of only 11 per cent for the same period."

50,000 NEW SYPHILITICS

New York State Senator Thomas C. Desmond, joint author of two bills recently introduced in the New York State Senate which provide for the prevention of the spread of syphilis through marriage and childbirth, reported that "Each year in New York State 9,000 babies die because of syphilis—an average of 24 each day." He also pointed out that each year "there are 50,000 new cases of syphilis." He urged support for the two Desmond-Breitbart bills, whose passage "can help make this state safe from syphilis.

Dr. Walter C. Klotz, director of the Out-Patient Department at New York Hospital, advocated an adequate appropriation of funds as an essential means of coping with this disease and preventing its contagion. He said:

"It is only when the public as a whole assumes the viewpoint that syphilis is, as stated, an endemic folk disease, and when the former veil of secrecy is removed, that we can hope for a more complete eradication, providing that public opinion will also inspire the appropriation of the necessary funds."

Dr. William H. Cary, obstretician at the Lying-In Hospital, New York, struck one of the most vital notes of the discussion when he declared: "The problem of marriage versus career should be solved by economic provision for maternal vacations" and "complete public nurseries; and illegitimacy should bear no stigma."

OBSERVES HYGIENE DAY

(Daily Worker Eastern Penna. Bureau)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.—Under the sponsorship of the American Social Hygiene Association of the United States Government Board of Health, Philadelphia observed National Social Hygiene Day and launched a campaign to "Stamp Out Syphilis."

More than 200 representatives of the Philadelphia Health Council, the American Youth Congress, the International Workers Order and the American Social Hygiene Association met in two meetings and declared that, "Syphilis is a social disease and must be treated socially."

At the University of Pennsylvania meeting a film was shown in which "Society" was indicted for neglect in ridding the nation of this disease.

John B. West, District Health Officer of Central Harlem addressed the University students. He spoke of the problems of poverty and how they are a direct and important factor in the cure of syphilis.

Dr. P. S. Pelouze, professor at the university and one of the country's leading authorities in the fight against syphilis and gonorrhea told of the last survey in Philadelphia to determine the extent of infection here.

In 1929 there were 159,000 reported cases of syphilis in Philadelphia.

Justice Department to Bring Suit Against Milk Trusts

ALP Opens Big Drive For Child Labor Bill

Alex Rose Announces Strenuous Campaign to Muster Heavy Support for Amendment, Bill Goes to Assembly Within Ten Days

A strenuous drive on the part of the American Labor Party to obtain the ratification of the Child Labor Amendment was announced by Alex Rose, State Executive Secretary of the party. The question will come before the Assembly within the next 10 days.

A bulletin summarizing the reasons why the Labor Party is backing the amendment has been sent out to all officers of Labor Party district clubs and affiliated unions throughout the State.

All party members have been urged to write to their Assemblymen asking the passage of the ratification measure, and in addition have been requested to get as many friends as possible to write similar letters. Speaking campaign and house to house canvasses are also urged.

FIRST IN ALP PLANK

"The Child Labor Amendment is the first plank in our legislative platform," stated Mr. Rose. "The American Labor Party is irrevocably committed to the end of child slavery. We know that the children who are exploited by greedy employers cannot grow up into good or healthy citizens. Not only do many become public charges, but no child that has lived under the conditions of abject poverty which are one of the concommittants of child labor, can ever be the type of citizen needed to promote the welfare of the nation.

"Moreover, the union men in the Labor Party realize that the competition of children lowers wage standards for adults and increases their unemployment problem. The child labor question is not only a humanitarian question, it is a question involving the welfare of all adult wage earners and the broad basic principles for which all progressives are fighting. It will be impossible to make any real progress toward President Roosevelt's aim of an economic democracy until we have wiped out the evil of child labor.

"The progressive and labor forces will regard the vote on the child labor amendment as a test of the liberalism of the Assemblymen. No Assemblyman can have a claim on the progressive voters if he opposes ratification."

Former W.P.A. Director Raps WPA Art Head

Liberal Accuses Edwards of Inefficiency on Art Projects

Resentment of alleged "labor-baiting" and "union-busting" was intensified today when it became known among workers on the Arts Projects that Paul Edwards, administrative head, had been accused of inefficiency and maladministration by Charles B. Ryan, Jr., his former director of labor relations.

Mr. Ryan was prominently identified with the Arts Projects from the time he took charge of personnel and employment, in March, 1936, until his resignation last week as Director of Labor Relations. He was the ranking representative of the Federal Theatre Project in New York at the time of the "sit-in" strikes last June.

The administrative officer for the other Arts Projects was, at that time, held captive in his ofice by workers who were protesting imminent reductions of personnel. The abducted official was released when he capitulated to the demand that he recommend an appeals board which would negate the reduction, necessitated by decreased congressional appropriations.

Mr. Ryan refused to grant such a demand. He escaped similar abduction by his refusal to leave the protesting workers as long as they wished to recite grievances to a representative of WPA.

Throughout the Federal Projects, Mr. Ryan is known for his firmness, as well as for his fairness to workers. It was considered exceptional in the field of labor relations when workers protested the curtailment of his responsibility and authority by the present administration. That his popularity with workers had not been gained by concessions to them was indicated by the frequency with which his superiors had expressed similar confidence in his administration.

Opposes Forced Mediation, Labor Head Tells NMU

Secretary of Labor Perkins yesterday was revealed as opposing compulsory arbitration in the shipping industry.

In a letter to the National Maritime Union, Miss Perkins reiterated the opposition to that type of legislation expressed in a letter to Chair Schuyler Otis Bland of the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries last May.

"Compulsory Arbitration," Miss Perkins' letter to Bland reads, "is at best a device for an industry which is ready for a mature labor policy. Labor relations in shipping are still in their infancy."

Refer Mayor's Housing Fund Plea for Action

Request for $500,000 to Begin Housing Program Up for Action

Mayor LaGuardia's request for appropriation of $500,000 to take care of interest charges on $16,000,000 in housing bonds to start a twenty-year slum clearance and low-rent home building program was referred by the Board of Estimate yesterday to the Committee of the Whole of the body for consideration.

It is expected that the committee will act quickly on the matter and bring before the board resolutions to set aside funds to put the program into operation.

The Mayor's communication estimated that the half million dollar appropriation would clear the way for a $16,000,000 building program this year. With additional State and Federal funds the program could be expanded during the next few months.

The program, as visualized by the Mayor and B. Charney Vladeck, Labor Councilman who worked on the plan, can be expanded to where $80,000,000 to $90,000,000 will be spent yearly on housing. Such a program would rid the city of its seventeen and a half square miles of slums within twenty years.

The housing project calls for the erection of apartments and one-family dwellings to rent for $6 and $8 a room.

Constitution Bans Lynching Wagner Says

Cites Duty of Gov't in Defense of Anti-Lynch Bill

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tives, can give rise to such violent criticisms as has been voiced in this body. The bill is not limited to the protection of members of the Negro race, nor is it directed against the Southern states. It seeks, for all the people in all parts of the nation, to make a reality of our proudest motto: 'Equal Justice Under Law.'

"This bill does not deprive the states of an iota of their responsibility. On the contrary, it rests upon the foundation of State responsibility. It does not displace the states in the operation and enforcement of State law against the action of lynching mobs. It is concerned solely with violations by the states of the Federal Constitution.

"I am happy to observe, as many senators have stated, that only eight lynchings occurred last year. But I cannot understand why this is an argument against the pending bill.

"If the national horror and disgrace of one lynching can be prevented by effective Federal action, I am in favor of taking that action.

"Throughout our long and glorious history, the number of individuals involved has never served as a test of enforcement of the fundamental civil rights declared in our great charter of liberty. I am not ready to accept that test now."

Food Inspector Found Guilty on Bribe Charges

(Daily Worker Eastern Penna. Bureau)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3.—John H. Tryon, former inspector of the Bureau of Foods and Chemistry here, was found guilty of accepting bribes to permit merchants to violate the State Pure Food Laws.

The charges against Tryon were brought by Morris and Henry Solomon, who stated that they paid the former inspector bribes of $25 to $35 a week to allow them to sell adulterated butter.

City Cash Fund Balance Is $2,278,396 McGoldrick Announces

A cash balance of $2,278,396 of the city's general fund as of Jan. 1 was indicated yesterday by Comptroller Joseph D. McGoldrick, who made public an analysis of the general fund receipts and operation for the years 1934 to 1937.

The current balance will be applied to general revenue this year, the Comptroller said, and will be used for reduction of taxation

COUNCIL PROBE ON QUINN TO OPEN MONDAY

Hearings on Charges of Illegal Election to Be Open to Public

A councilmanic committee of five, elected at the last meeting of the City Council to investigate charges that Hugh Quinn, Queens Democrat, was illegally elected to the body, announced yesterday it would commence public hearings next Monday morning, despite protests from Mr. Quinn.

The first meeting of the committee got under way yesterday with extreme difficulty. John Cashmore, Minority Leader and not a member of the committee, clashed sharply with Councilman Joseph Clark Baldwin, chairman of the committee, when Baldwin ordered him from the room.

Cashmore's voice could be heard shouting through the thick doors of the committee room. He was brought to order by Baldwin who wielded the gavel vigorously. Cashmore stayed in the room throughout the proceedings.

ASKS PRIVATE HEARINGS

After several hours of discussion the committee, which included one Laborite, one Republican, one Fusionist and two Democrats, announced through Mr. Baldwin that Quinn, who was charged by Council Vice-Chairman James A. Burke with having illegally registered as a voter in Queens, had requested that all hearings be conducted in private.

"The committee did not accede to request," Baldwin said.

He explained that counsel for the committee, C. D. Williams advised that under the City Charter action taken by the committee would have to be based on a record made in a public hearing.

Baldwin said that a private hearing of the committee would be held on Saturday at 10 A. M. where preparations for Monday's open hearing would be made.

Richard J. Barry, attorney for the James C. Sheridan, Queens Democratic Party organization, will act as counsel for Quinn.

Bad Meat Kills 2; Head of Health Dep't Announces

Health Commissioner John L. Rice announced yesterday that two persons have died here recently of trichinosis, a disease caused by eating pork products not properly cooked. Eight others were made gravely ill by unboiled cured ham bought in a butcher shop on the West Side. An investigation disclosed that all had eaten the ham without further cooking. The cases were all in a German family.

Simone Simon Gravely Ill with Pneumonia

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 3. (UP).—Simone Simon, blonde young French film star, was taken to Cedars of Lebanon Hospital today in serious condition from pneumonia, her physician reported.

The actress collapsed last night after working in a 20th Century-Fox production. She has been suffering for three weeks with a heavy cold.

Drs. Mack W. Bay and Harry H. Blond said her condition was "very serious" and that she has a temperature of 108 degrees.

HARLEM RALLY DEMANDS LYNCH BILL PASSED

—Daily Worker Staff Photo

Photo shows part of a crowd of Harlem people who met at Seventh Ave. and 125th St. Wednesday night to demand passage of the Wagner-Van Nuys Anti-Lynch Bill. Speakers condemned the reactionary bloc of Southern Senators who are attempting to block passage of the measure.

Textile Workers Face Fight on Wage Cuts

TWOC Faces Test as Employers Defy Contracts, Rank-and-File Backs CIO Stand Resisting Slashes, Prepare Struggle Against Mill Owners

By George Morris

The organized textile workers are confronted with a severe test today as mill owners are taking advantage of the sharp decline in the industry to cut wages and are ignoring contracts that were signed during the nine months since the Textile Workers Organizing Committee of the CIO began its drive.

Foreseeing that the employers will seek to whip up a wage-cutting campaign, the CIO declared itself definitely against any wage cuts and advised its affiliates everywhere to resist them.

An indication of its policy and of the moods of the workers was given in the case of the Philadelphia hosiery workers where twice proposals by their president, William Leader, that the demand by the employers for a reduction in wages should be granted, was overwhelmingly defeated. In his proposal Leader was opposed by the national leaders of the Federation of Hosiery Workers and the regional heads of the CIO.

Similarly, acceptance of a wage cut by New Bedford, Mass., unions was criticized by the Textile Workers Organizing Committee. The ostensible reason given for the wage cut demands by the employers, is southern competition, as a condition to avoid moving mills or closing them down.

LEWIS, ROOSEVELT BAR CUTS

The CIO, its position expressed by John L. Lewis on many occasions, (and as President Roosevelt said in his recent message to Congress) bars wage cuts as a solution to the business decline. One of the cardinal objectives that the T.W.O.C. set out to accomplish when its formation was announced by Director Sidney Hillman last March, was to stabilise the chaotic industry—to bring about equality in labor conditions and thereby eliminate the cut-throat competition which hits the worker in the final instance. Though the TWOC has gone a considerable way towards its objective in the short time it has existed, with contracts covering nearly 400,000 workers, a retreat on the wage cut demand of the employers would be opening the way for a renewed demoralization in the industry, with the consequent blows against the living standards of the workers.

When it is further considered that approximately 1,250,000 textile workers and their dependents are themselves a large section of the population of the United States, the resultant cut in buying power would be a considerable stimulus to the economic decline.

TWOC A DAM AGAINST CUTS

Of course it should not be overlooked that because of the beginning that the TWOC had made in the industry, the attempt to cut edges has not swept the country in the costumary old-fashioned manner, when an employer did not even bother to ask a union for permission to do so. It can be safely stated that in addition to the many millions in wage raises that textile workers gained by TWOC organization, they are holding on to millions that would have otherwise already been deducted from their envelopes. But the union has hardly had an opportunity to consolidate itself fully when the latest decline began to assume serious proportions.

Wage cuts are at first most noticeable in the unorganized or weaker union spots. Fall River workers were given a 12 and one-half per cent cut. Cotton mills of Maine followed with a similar cut. Paterson silk mills are reviving chiseling and wage-cutting firms. Some mills are closing for an "indefinite" period and then offer to open if the workers recognize the "bad times" and accept a cut, "Stretchout" methods — increasing the loom load per worker and similar speed-up measures— are being revived with new vigor by many employers.

There could be nothing more serious at this time than to fall back on the old conservative theory that the consequences of a crisis are like a rainstorm and all that a union can do is wait until it is over. This, the CIO declares is not its position. In fact it is the ability to protect the workers precisely in such situation as exists today that will consolidate the TWOC gains to stay and grow.

UNEMPLOYED AID

One of the most important tasks that will serve as a test for TWOC locals is to see that each needy member gets relief or WPA jobs. There is hardly a local that doesn't have a large percentage of its membership unemployed. The CIO has issued directives to each affiliate to elect special unemployed committees. Textile workers are usually forced to fall back upon welfare a week after their last pay envelope. The need for special WPA projects for textile workers is especially felt. The recent proposal by New Bedford unions that a closed mill now in the hands of the R. F. S. could be financed by WPA for production of textiles for families on relief, is an indication of the kind of projects that unemployed committees of unions could sponsor.

WAGE-HOURS BILL

The textile workers would probably benefit more than any others if the Wages and Hours Bill now pending passes. Because their wages are among the lowest in the country a "floor for wages" would have the immediate effect of stopping wage cuts. Southern workers would be the heaviest gainers and eventually the traditional competition with the north would be weakened. Pressure for adoption of the wages and hours bill, therefore, becomes one of the most important tasks before the TWOC affiliates.

With these pressing problems confronting the textile unions, Communists can serve actively in helping to solve them and develop resistance against wage cuts, Communist Party members are among the most experienced workers in the field. They carry with them experience of militant struggles in the textile towns during similar periods in the past decade. But today there is a powerful organization with many thousands of members who want to meet the attacks of the employers, who want to demonstrate before relief offices or to bring pressure upon their Congressmen for the Wages and Hours Bill.

UMW Convention Ends Amid Great Enthusiasm; Locals to Get Reports

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equality of privilege with all other American citizens."

The convention gave a rousing welcome to a former international president of the U.M.W., Frank J. Hayes, now Lieutenant Governor of Colorado. It was Hayes who some twenty years ago appointed John L. Lewis vice-president of the union. On his resignation in 1919, Lewis succeeded him.

Hayes, a red-haired, youngish-looking man of fifty-five, who has been a member of the United Mine Workers for forty-two years, threw diplomatic niceties to the winds and lambasted the reactionary A. F. of L. leadership.

NEW DEAL IN LABOR

"We need a new deal in the labor movement," he said, "and we have been given such a new deal by the formation of the Committee for Industrial Organization."

He also took a fall out of the Daughters of the American Revolution for refusing to permit the convention to meet in their hall. Dubbing the ladies of the D.A.R. "sour-faced old battle-axes," "old scarecrows" and "old barnacles," he charged them with betraying the traditions of their revolutionary forefathers.

Hayes paid tribute to both John L. Lewis and President Roosevelt, whom he called "the greatest President we ever had in this country." He called on labor to organize politically, as well as industrially, and to elect labor men to office, urging the election of Thomas Kennedy, secretary-treasurer of the U.M.W., as governor of Pennsylvania. Kennedy, who is now Lieutenant Governor of that state, was unanimously endorsed by the convention for Governor.

Hayes opposed what he called "false national economy," and advocated measures to increase the purchasing power of the American people.

TRIBUTE TO SLAIN PICKETS

The convention paid tribute to Senator Wagner for his authorship of the Labor Relations Board by giving him in his absence a rising ovation. The delegates also honored the memory of those miners and other workers who have been slain on the picket-line by standing in silence for one minute.

The report of the Scale Committee declared that 444 resolutions had been received from local unions dealing with five subjects: changes in district or local agreements, the six-hour day and 30-hour week demands, abolition of wage differentials, increases in wages, and mechanization problems. The committee presented an eight-point program which states that "every effort shall be made by the International officers to secure a National joint Wage Scale Meeting," and "to establish a uniform six-hour day and 30-hour, five-day week."

The program provides for the creation of a National Policy Committee and a Wage Scale Committee. All resolutions dealing with scale questions are referred to the Wage Scale Committee which will use them as a basis for the proposals to be presented to the coal operators in the joint confedence beginning March 14, 1939.

The Scale Committee referred all matters dealing with the anthracite wage agreement to the Anthracite Tri-District convention, to be held some time before May 1, 1939.

James Marck, president of District 2 (Central Pennsylvania) of the U. M. W., was chairman and Frank Wilson, president of District 13 (Iowa), was secretary of the Scale Committee.

After the report had been presented Philip Murray, U.M.W. vice-president, took the floor to explain its provisions. He emphasized the gains won by the union in the annual conferences with the operators during the past five years.

NEGRO-WHITE EQUALITY

"For the first time these conferences have placed the Negro miners on a basis of equality with the white," he said as the convention broke into applause. "During the past five years we have secured greater wage increases for that particular period than ever in the history of mining. I know of no union that has made greater progress for the emancipation of the workers than has the United Mine Workers during these five years."

The selection of Columbus as the next convention city was by unanimous vote after a motion to that effect by John Owens, president of District 6 (Ohio), and a seconding speech by G. W. Savage, secretary-treasurer of that district. The thirty-sixth constitutional convention in 1940 will mark the golden anniversary of the United Mine Workers, and Columbus was chosen because that was the city in which the first convention in 1890 was held.

Cummings Says 8-Month Investigation Is Ended

Suits Likely First to Hit New York, Chicago or New England Monopolies; Suits May Start in Two Months

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).—The Justice Department is virtually ready, it was understood today, to bring anti-trust suits against monopoly in the milk marketing industry as a new phase of its trust-busting drive.

Attorney General Homer S. Cummings revealed that department attorneys are examining information assembled in a nation-wide eight-months investigation of the industry, and that action might come soon.

It was learned that if an anti-trust suit against milk companies is filed soon, probably within two months, it likely will be brought in Chicago, New York or some New England city.

To Cut Chicago Relief Budget 50% by April

Federal Director Assails Chicago Blockers of Housing Program

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 3.—The relief budget will probably be cut to 50 per cent of the "normal" budget by April, according to Leo M. Lyons, Chicago Relief Administrator. At present relief clients are receiving 85 per cent of "normal."

Lyons said that the total of relief money received from both city and state sources will not be sufficient to maintain present conditions. If the relief administration pays back the $1,200,000 borrowed from the city to meet the emergency of last November and December, the deficency will be increased.

Gael Sullivan, associate director of the Federal Housing Administration, bitterly attacked the enemies of federal housing projects Tuesday in a speech to Mayor Kelly's housing committee at the City Hall.

"Many cities provide better housing for cows than Chicago does for human beings," said Sullivan.

His main attack was not directed against those who openly fight federal housing, but against those who pretend to be for improved housing but who whitewash the issue by "shadow boxing advice to treat the housing problems with caution."

Chicago will have twelve public hearings on housing conditions in preparation for a housing program.

To Amend Jobless Insurance Law to Hasten Benefits

ALBANY, Feb. 3.—To ease the interval between application and receipt of unemployment insurance benefits, Industrial Commissioner Elmer F. Andrews announced today that he will sponsor an amendment to the present law designed to change the present 3-week waiting period from consecutive to cumulative.

"I am prepared to recommend that," he said, "beginning April 1, 1939, the waiting period in the law be reduced so that an unemployed person will receive benefits following any three weeks of unemployment, without a requirement that these weeks be consecutive.

"Conservative estimates show that the added load on the fund would not be a large burden and, in view of the hardships it would eliminate, would be warranted fulfillment of the purpose of the law."

Tenant Strikers To Come Up for HearingTuesday

Served with disposses notices for refusing to pay rent for apartments declared illegally rented to them because of violations of dwelling laws, several tenants of 503-505 E. 6th St. will come up for a hearing at 264 Madison St. Court Tuesday morning.

They will be defended by the East Side Tenant's League of which they are members.

The owner of the houses, a corporation lawyer, Joseph Gans of 60 Broad St., it was charged, had illegally rented the houses a year ago without making the necessary provisions as ordered by a city inspector. The tenants are demanding that proper repairs and janitor service be provided and that adjustment be made on the high rent charged during the past period.

Employers Owe Job Aid Taxes, Martin Says

Responsible for Decline Should Bear Burden on Unemployed

Industry "blundered" into a recession and must bear the burden of taxation necessary to provide for the unemployed and restore prosperity, Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers of America, said today.

Martin was organized labor's spokesman at a symposium on the business recession conducted last night by the Economic Club of New York. George M. Verity, chairman of the Board of the American Rolling Mill Co., spoke for industry.

Martin said a new "unwritten law," which evolved from the last depression, makes "those who are able to pay, underwrite a job for every person in the United States willing to work."

The new precept, he said, holds that if American business failed to supply every man willing to work with a job enabling him to maintain an American standard of living, "then business must be taxed so that the government can supply that job."

Bill Thompson Must Account For Flood Fund

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—William H. (Big Bill) Thompson, former Republican Mayor, has been ordered to pay the American Red Cross $72,795 he collected for Southern flood relief in 1927.

The decision was returned late yesterday by the Appellate Court after Attorney General Otto Kerner brought suit in connection with $139,772 subscribed by Chicagoans for the benefit of victims of the flood which caused heavy damage in the lower Mississippi Valley. The money was collected after Thompson made a proclamation in behalf of flood relief.

Kerner charged that most of the flood association's money was spent for purposes other than relief. Attempts to compel surrender of the entire sum, excepting about $35,000 actually spent for relief, was started in 1933.

Thompson must account for the money within a period to be set by the Circuit Court.

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The 'Little Man'—His Friends and Enemies

• The small business man is in Washington to discuss his troubles and make his demands.

That's a very good idea, and it is about time that the small business man began to examine his situation, and find the reason for his growing insecurity and increasing bankruptcy.

What does the small business man need? He needs customers. He needs credits easily available. He needs protection from the cutthroat competition of giant monopolies who drive him to the wall. He needs protection from forecloseures and high-handed monopolistic practices.

Why does the little man lack customers? Because wages are low, purchasing power reduced through unemployment, reduced WPA and relief appropriations. Well filled pay envelopes mean active trade for the small business man. Small business has a vital stake in seeing to it that labor and the farmers of this nation get well paid for their labor, that wages rise, that relief and unemployment insurance be increased.

Some small business men make the mistake of trying to escape the effects of the monopoly robberies by taking it out on their workers. But this only cuts the ground from under their feet by killing the buying power of the people.

When the small man buys his raw materials, or buys from large distributors, he is being cheated by the monopoly prices he has to pay. The monopolies cheat him of his profit. And when he sells, he is faced with the monopolies who hog the market, and the impoverishment of the people, his customers.

The answer is clear, and most small business men are coming to see it—wages must be kept up, and the monopolies must be curbed. Naturally, there are all kinds of reactionary agents working among them to make them believe that "little business" has the same problems as Big Capital. But Big Business grows only by swallowing and robbing the "little man."

The interests of small business dictate that he cast his support in with the labor movement, with the farmers and progressive movements of America against the common enemy—Wall Street monopoly. In this popular people's movement, he will get the support he needs against the Morgan-Rockefeller banks which are bleeding him to death.

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Green's Splitting Crosses the Border

• William Green, who works to keep American labor split, threatens to extend this disservice to the international sphere in a way to injure labor's struggle for world peace and democracy.

At the Miami meeting of the A. F. of L. Executive, the President of the A. F. of L. declared that if the International Federation of Trade Unions accepted the adherence of the Soviet Trade Unions the A. F. of L. "will feel compelled to withdraw."

Such talk, not to say the realization of the deed, is encouragement to the fascist enemies of international labor unity to preserve peace and democracy.

The primary purpose of the Soviet Trade Unions in adhering to the international trade union centre, the I.F.T.U., is to strengthen labor's ranks everywhere, to beat back the machinations of Fascism and its threat of a new world slaughter.

Green's attacks on the Soviet Trade Unions, his futile and labored attempt to put them in the category of the fascist "labor fronts" are shallow subterfuges. Green had previously rejected proposals of the British trade unions for a joint international boycott of Japanese goods as a preliminary step to approval of international collaboration of the DEMOCRATIC powers for peace.

Here is the nub of the question. Shall American labor in the A. F. of L. throw its weight and power into the scales for peace and democracy through international labor solidarity, or shall its Executive further the fascist aim of disunity, split and American labor isolation?

Green's reactionary pronouncement on this outstanding international issue appears more glaring when contrasted to the recent statement of the chairman of the Labor and Socialist International, Emile Vandervelde. Vandervelde declared, in regard to the fight against fascism and for peace: "An alliance of the Russian Revolution with the Jacobin Socialism of France and the Social-Democracy (Labor Party) of Britain would establish an invincible force embodying all the greatest revolutionary and progressive elements in Europe."

So far as Green was concerned his action had reference only to the international unity of trade unions.

If Green were honestly interested in the Soviet trade unions and their force for peace and democracy he would have learned that the unions in the U.S.S.R. record the largest percentage of increases in wages of the workers in any country in the World. The Soviet trade unions boast the greatest advance in cultural activities; the largest share in writing, enforcing and enjoying labor and social legislation. The Soviet Unions themselves the most democratic trade union organizations are playing a leading part in training and teaching the people to enjoy and exercise the broadest democracy offered by the Soviet constitution.

With 22,000,000 members in its ranks, the Soviet trade unions are the greatest single force in Europe for the improvement of the workers' conditions, their cultural advance, and their democratic interests, as well as in the struggle for labor solidarity to maintain world peace.

And these are the unions Green attacks, and he would have American labor split from the I.F.T.U. should they be admitted.

Green's talk of sabotaging world labor solidarity should be repudiated by the A. F. of L. membership. Green's policy, carried out in the light of the present world situation, could only redound to the benefit of Hitler, Mussolini and the Mikado, the tormentors and persecutors of world labor.

Not only should the A. F. of L. stay within the I.F.T.U., but the Executive Council should be called on to accept the proffered proposals of world labor cooperation on the boycott of Japanese goods and for all other international measures to ensure world peace.

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Mr. Wilkie and Mr. Girdler—Good Business

• Mr. Wilkie and Tom Girdler know that most people read the front page headlines much more than they read the small type on the financial pages.

That is why Mr. Wilkie, president of the Commonwealth and Southern Utility holding company could stage a dramatic demonstration against the TVA several weeks ago by offering to sell it to the Government. "TVA is driving us to the wall," wailed Mr. Wilkie.

Now read the financial report of the Commonwealth and Southern released yesterday: **"Commonwealth and Southern Corp. reports net consolidated profit for 1937 of $15,124,000, a 15 per cent increase over the $13,349,000 profit of 1936, after payment of dividends on preferred stock."** If this is Mr. Wilkie's idea of "going to the wall," then how far could electricity rates be reduced once the huge plundering of the monopolies were stopped!

Or the similar case of Mr. Tom Girdler, president of Republic Steel, murderer of 10 Chicago steel workers. Mr. Girdler also railed that the unions "want too much." To the Wall Street stockholders, Girdler, the union-buster, tells a different story: "The strike which occurred in the middle of the year and the severe drop in business resulted in substantially decreased earnings. **In spite of these facts, the year's net profit was only slightly less than 1936." Girdler's outfit showed net profits of $9,044,147 in 1937.**

Girdler spent thousands of dollars shedding the blood of workers who wanted to organize a union to fight for better conditions. He is the man who said, "You can't make steel without machine guns."

For Wilkie and for Girdler the profits roll in. That is the truth which is hidden away from the average reader's eye.

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A Book You Must Not Miss!

• Out of the torrent of new books, the latest volume of Comrade Earl Browder, secretary of the Communist Party, "The People's Front," is a political event of the first importance, an event which goes far beyond the confines of Party circles alone.

Browder is not only one of the major political figures in American life, a man whose keenness and clarity on all questions has made his name known to millions. He is also one of the leaders of world Communism. He is one of the world's foremost fighters for democracy, peace and freedom.

His book, the People's Front, is the summation of the opinions and the policy of the American Communist Party during the past twelve months, and carries their application to the burning problems of today's newspaper headlines. Browder's book is a guide, simple, profound and true to the majority of the American people on the problems of the hour. In this volume, Browder makes genuinely creative contributions to the development of American revolutionary theory on the basis of Marxism-Leninism.

Members of the Communist Party have a special privilege in that they can now procure advance copies through the Book Union and their Party branches.

The book will be made available to all readers on Feb. 22. It is an indispensable book for every progressive, alert American who wants a compass through the complexities of contemporary politics. Watch for it!

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• The crisis of Nazi Germany cannot be explained by the Romeo and Juliet theory of history, nor by its latest version, the Windsor-Wally Simpson affaire.

There is no belittling the unprecedented breach of goose-step military tradition in Germany when the Minister of War, the highest ranking Field Marshal of the Junker-Nazi army, violates all German army Emily Post rules and marries a 28-year-old daughter of a proletarian.

But it's politics and economics and not winter's love that makes this a world-shaking event. In fact, the 59-year-old field marshal, who had been coming closer to the Nazi Party idea of control of the army, had already received the personal blessing of Hitler and Goering, both of whom were witnesses at his marriage. The Gestapo had not left Hitler uninformed about the young bride's social or political standing, we may be sure.

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But the Junker army officers' corps, together with anxious industrialists, took this opportunity of bringing economic, political and foreign policy issues to a head. The thickest headed army officer, who may be unclear as to the higher points of general staff disagreements with the Nazi views of control over the army, or the problems of interference of the four-year war preparations' economic plan with the supply of raw materials for smaller industries, can quickly be made to see that his honor is compromised by the War Minister's amatory indiscretion.

We cannot, on this side of the water, penetrate the stone wall of Nazi censorship any better than the American correspondents in Germany. But neither von Blomberg's marriage nor the political battle that it set off take place in a vacuum. The inner economic developments and the world political situation are not entirely secrets. The details of the present Nazi crisis, and the methods of its "solution," are mysteries yet.

That the issues involved are broad, deep, foreboding and of international significance, is generally hinted at by the correspondents, though they leave the concrete questions hanging in the air. Ralph W. Barnes, Berlin correspondent of the N. Y. Herald Tribune, comes closest to a broad generalization when he cabled: **"It is clear that in the course of meetings behind closed doors during the last ten days representatives of the army bloc have spoken their minds bluntly on issues which extend beyond the comparatively petty business of Blomberg's marriage."**

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We can be sure we are on safe ground when we say there are generally three issues involved in the impending storm in Germany, and they are the most important ones. These are:

(1) **Who shall control the army?** This issue, one of the many raised by the Roehm Nazi faction in June, 1934, led to the bloody purge, with a victory for the old Junker army officers, though in the process Gen. von Schleicher, one of the older officers, was killed because he was entirely opposed to the Nazi regime. The Junkers press the issue now because they believe Hitler is nearing a war, and has already compromised the army in Spain. Besides, the economic crisis brewing in Germany, bound up with the future of the army, has laid the basis for a united approach on this issue between important industrialists and the Junkers. Here is evidence of a "crisis on top." In view of the tense international situation the army officer corps would never have raised this question so sharply were not the conflicts so great that they could no longer be concealed. Hitler can't "solve" this question by decree or by his political omnipotence. As in the first phase of this battle (the Roehm purge) the Junkers, collaborating this time with industrialists, have the whip hand.

(2) **Economic situation:** The four-year plan for war preparations has at this time intensified the maturing financial and economic crisis in Germany at a time when the world rumblings of an economic depression threaten German exports and imports. The Nazis were driving the German economic machine at such a speed that in trying to get to their goal they were wearing out the vital bearings as well as the motor. That Hitler and some of the industrialists had reached an impasse in their discussions could be seen in the cancellation of the business conference which was scheduled for Wednesday between Hitler and industrial leaders.

(3) **Foreign policy.** The triple fascist alliance did not meet with the approval of some of the older members of the German General Army Staff. They did not want the Nazi war machine put at the mercy of the whims of an Araki or a Mussolini. Events in Spain and China increased their alarm. The unsuccessful intervention in Spain could become the unplugged hole in the dike. A continuation of the present Loyalist offensive could bring about the defeat of German Fascism in the Guadarrama mountains. Like Teruel for Franco, Spain was not the chosen battlefield of the Junker officers for their world offensive. In China, the situation puts the Nazis in a much more dangerous plight as members of the triple fascist alliance. Their Nipponese ally is getting himself bogged down in a country of 450,000,000 Chinese fighting for their national independence.

None of these questions can or will be settled by a reshuffling of the army gold braid.

MEDITERRANEAN MONSTER by Ellis

Communist Hero of Teruel Trained Early Militia Units Into Fighting People's Army

By MARIONO PERLA

BARCELONA (By Mail).—There are angles to this war in Spain which have to be viewed not only in military and political events. They must be looked at through the lives of the men who have been fighting from the first days of the war. Pedro Martinez Carton is a printing worker, a veteran fighter in his trade union as well as on the streets. He is a leading figure of the Communist Party, of whose Political Bureau he is a member.

On July 19, 1936, he grabbed a rifle and joined the workers attacking the Montana barracks and other fascist nests holding out in Madrid. With the rifle in his hand and a fervent appeal to the masses which jubilated at their first successes, he fought among the attackers.

The Madrid battles over, Martinez Carton went to Estramadura, in the South. With him went a few comrades who were ready to go into battle with the "Internationale" on their lips. Carton organized a detachment which the enemy dubbed the "Phantom Column."

By this time the first phase of the war, that was fought in the large cities, was over. Now began a period of guerrilla warfare which delayed the fascist advance. This was the spontaneous strategy of heroes who fought with almost empty cartridge belts and ancient rifles.

The Phantom Column cut the lines of communications of the rebels and wiped out their supply trains, making raids deep into the districts taken by the fascists. The column's campaign caused serious damage to the enemy.

More than once Queipo de Llano reported Carton shot. The fascist bandit lied, Varela's troops advancing on Madrid had already passed Talavera, but the Phantom Column continued to harass them. Its ranks grew thinner, but the fighters would not lay down their arms. From time to time Carton would show up in Madrid and confer with the leadership of the Communist Party. The veteran printing workers were proud of him.

The Communist Party raised the necessity of building a regular army. This slogan was emblazoned on the walls of every building, it cropped up in fervent appeals at mass meetings, in huge headlines in the newspapers.

ENTERS REGULAR ARMY

The enemy, strengthened by German and Italian tanks, was advancing towards Madrid. The historical stage of spontaneity, when Carton and his men fought on the battlefields of Estramadura, was coming to an end.

Martinez Carton had been the commander of a column—he entered the regular army as an organizer and commander. During the spring of 1937, he commanded a brigade in Andalusia. A strong band of fascist Civil Guards was hiding out in the la Cabeza monastery. Carton's brigade, provided with tanks, made short shift of this new Alcazar. Carton then went to the Eastern Front.

Carton, the worker from Madrid, studied military science diligently. Now he commands a division. He knows how to speak to soldiers and to prepare them for hard fighting. The remaining members of the anarchist "Iron Column," which used to balk at discipline, are now in his division. He frequently gets letters from former leaders of this column, of which the following is typical:

"In us you have the best supporters of military discipline, of conscious obedience to your commands. In us you have the most ardent supporters of unity within the army and outside its ranks."

Carton led his division in the Teruel campaign, proving himself in this new phase of the war. Brunete and Belchie are milestones left behind.

The army, a powerful weapon for the defense of the Spanish people, is ready for battle. We have come a long way. We have forged a weapon needed by the People's Army, which can resist and go over to the active offensive.

Carton understands the tremendous significance of this new stage of the war. That is why his men, executing orders with mathematical precision, captured every objective in the plan for the swift taking of Teruel, and were able to repulse every attack of the fascist reserves rushed to the aid of the besieged garrison.

The Madrid worker and the Andalusian partisan sent his division through a complicated military operation. They performed their task with precision, fulfilling every directive of the general staff.

Letters From Our Readers

Maybe The Field Glasses Were Biased—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This letter was sent to the editor of the New York Times:

Editor, New York Times:

"Your reporter in Franco's army reported twice that he looked through field glasses that were given him by the rebel High Command and each time he saw the rebel army almost entering Teruel.

"The home office of the New York Times should send Mr. Carney a 'democratic' pair of field glasses. He has been using Fascist field glasses. It would seem proper for the local American newspapers to furnish their correspondents with 'democratic' field glasses, so their reporters will not depend on Fascist faulty-ground and faulty-angled glasses.

"It is also possible that Carney was gazing in a crystal globe when he saw the Fascists almost in Teruel."

M. D. L.

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American Student Union Thanks Daily Worker

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

We wish to thank you for the full and impartial coverage the Daily Worker gave to the convention of the American Student Union, held at Vassar College.

Please convey our thanks to Mr. Harry Raymond, your correspondent.

JOSEPH P. LASH,
Executive Secretary, American Student Union.

A Letter to the "Socialist Call"—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This is a copy of a letter sent to the "Socialist Call":

"Editor, Socialist Call,

Your editorial of Jan. 15, refers to the "People's Press" and the "Daily Worker," as "organs that are deliberately grooming the American working class for war . . . and interpret American and world affairs to suit the interest of the Stalin government and not the interests of the American working class."

"Mr. Norman Thomas in his column of the same issue of the "Socialist Call," referring to the Daily Worker's support of the Roosevelt program of higher wages and lower hours says, "Nowadays that does not prove much, except that the Communists desire Roosevelt support their war."

"While you may sincerely believe that the road to peace is through neutrality, isolation and the Ludlow amendment, yet the Communist Party may also be sincerely for peace through collective security against the aggressor and fascist nations.

"Why, then, in the name of common honesty, accuse the Communist Party and the "Daily Worker" of "deliberately and consciously grooming the American people for war." Like the American fascists you accuse the Communist Party of working not in the interest of the American people but in the interest of the Stalin government. Like the fascists you slander the Soviet government and the Soviet people, claiming that the Stalin policy is against the interests of the workers of America.

"You claim to be the true disciple of Eugene Victor Debs; true to the spirit of fighting against the exploiters and oppressors and mankind everywhere for peace and socialism. Yet you keep on slandering and attacking the Soviet Union, the only country which has done away with exploitation and oppression, the only country where Socialism is being built, the only country whose peace policy is not only in the interest of the Soviet Union but of the oppressed people the world over.

"As a follower of Debs, as one who was active in the Socialist Party under his leadership, I dare say, would Eugene Victor Debs be alive today, he would denounce you as working not for peace and socialism but indirectly and unwittingly for war and fascism."

LOUIS RAFAIS.

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Congratulates Alan Max for Articles Exposing Stolberg

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The new series of articles by Alan Max, exposing the slanders of the liar Stolberg are just as clever and clear as they could possibly be, just the material necessary to answer our friends and sympathizers who read the World-Telegram. But these articles should be in ONE SMALL PAMPHLET which we can refer to easily in a discussion group of Party friends.

I congratulate Comrade Max on the fine way he handles Stolberg's alleged friendship for the C. I. O. I believe we will make many contacts through such a pamphlet, especially when we now see another new drive by the C. I. O. on utilities, in spite of this red-baiter's assertion that the C. I. O. is dead, and cannot advance any more. I also think that a boycott of the World-Telegram is in place.

F. B.

Change the World

A Letter From Spain Clears Up Some False Impressions

by MIKE GOLD

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, that brave and beautiful heroine of the labor movement of my youth, was kidding this columnist the other night.

"Sometimes," she said, "I could almost imagine, Miguel, you have secret ambitions to be elected to Congress."

"What are you talking about, Gurley? You know a Congressman has to make speeches every day, and I'd rather sing."

"You write about the Irish," she said. "The surest way of being elected to office in New York is to flatter the Irish. Is it really a campaign you're making?"

Shocked by this base charge, coming from a Flynn, I launched into a lecture on Irish history, and all the sound political, economic and social reasons for my special Irish interest. The lecture took over an hour, and I won't repeat it here. It must have convinced Comrade Flynn, however, for she said, finally, "I can see it's not ambition with you, but love. To tell the truth, I feel somewhat the same about the Jews. I want myself to write a column soon on the Jews, and what they mean to a Flynn."

Then I showed Gurley a letter from an Irish lad fighting in Spain. It's one of those things that make you proud of belonging to the human race. Here it is:

"Albacete, Spain.

"Dear Mike: I'd like to make a few remarks about a recent column of yours dealing with the Irish and the Jewish people. This column of Dec. 1 was read aloud to me, an O'Malley, by a Berkowitz. We both enjoyed it. Sometimes you make amazingly wild but correct guesses about things. The mysterious affinity of the Irish and the Jews is one of the them.

"I think that most of the young Jewish lads who came to Spain are Exhibit A for their heroism, daring and courage in every shade and form. The working-class, and particularly the International Brigade, have no finer examples of heart-break grit than the Pincus Kaplinskys and Izzie Shrenzels that have fallen, face down, because they were moving forward, making their final and most deadly thrust at our common enemy.

"A short time ago I met a former Black-and-Tan, who was in the machine gun company of the Lincoln Battalion. Now Mike, when I was just a child I was taught that a Black-and-Tan was what a real Irishman hated most, a viper that secret agents of the Irish working class still hunted out, wherever they were and killed them.

"I never quite rid myself of a Nationalism that made me hate all the North of Ireland. But now I don't feel that way. A Jewish lad showed me different.

"He walked between me and this other Irish comrade down a very beautiful road in Spain one evening, and made us both talk about the immediate struggle against our common enemy, Fascism, when we both wanted to talk foolish past history.

"He made this comrade show me the 'fatal' tattoo of William of Orange on his arm, the sign of the once-convinced Black-and-Tanner. He made this comrade tell about how he was deceived as thousands of other Irishmen were, into fighting against the budding Irish Free State. He talked about comrades in the James Connolly Company, Orangemen and Freestaters finally fighting under one banner here in Spain, inseparable to the finish.

"Without the intervention of a Jewish lad, I would have missed this great lesson in Irish working-class unity. Anyway, Mike, do tell the folks back home that the 'Fighting Irish' have absolutely nothing on the 'Fighting Jews!' Salud! "THOMAS O'MALLEY."

'Daily' Writer Talks With Mexican Gov't Officials; Bares Lies of N.Y. Times

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tion led, until a few days ago, by Luis Morones, notorious racketeer and Minister of Labor under Calles, and the Mexican Confederation of Workers (C.T.M.), is only part of the struggle between these two organizations that has been going on since the C.T.M. was organized two years ago. With 80 per cent of Mexico's workers organized in the C.T.M., the C.R.O.M. has been fighting for its very existence. By personally interfering in the Cocolapan conflict, Cardenas has stopped the battle and has laid the base for organizational unity of the two federations.

According to the Presidential manifesto, issued last month, Mexico's new governing party will be based upon "the workers, peasants and soldiers." The Times must know that the workers and peasants in Mexico, like in most other countries, by far outnumber the soldiers and they will outnumber them in the new party. Soldiers, definitely, will not be the keystone of the new organization which will truly represent the Mexican people, but they must and will form part of this people's party for, in Mexico in contrast to the United States, they are an army of the people.

That the policy indicated by these steps of President Cardenas shows "a semi-fascist tendency," is just wishful thinking on the part of the Times correspondent, who, apparently, does not like the coming into existence of the Popular Front in Mexico.

Mr. Kluckhohn seems awfully worried about Mexican labor unions. But he is much more honestly worried about the fate of American oil companies here, as he shows in the same story, when he states that "twelve hours after the publication of the tariff decree United States and British petroleum companies with an investment of $450,000,000 in Mexico" were ordered to finally pay out of their immense profits the 33 1-3 per cent wage increase according to the December decision of the Labor Board. From all of this the Times correspondent concludes:

"Why the Mexican government has suddenly started what appears to be an attack on United States trade and investors is not yet officially explained."

TIMES WORRIED OVER OIL COMPANIES

From his worries about the poor oil companies, Kluckhohn comes back to the increase of tariffs and charges that "they specifically discriminate against U. S. goods." As an example he states that the duty on four-cylinder automobiles, "imported principally from Germany," was increased only 66 2-3 per cent, while the duty on cars of more than four cylinders, "almost entirely bought from the United States," was increased between 135 and 150 per cent.

Under-Secretary of Finance Villasenor had this to say about this particular statement of the N. Y. Times: "Only in the minds of people who try to create difficulties between this country and the United States can it appear that the increase of the tariffs of Mexico, in defense of her currency, is an attack against American commerce and investors. The increase is general and applies to all products regardless of their origin, and foreign countries are hurt in proportion to their amount of trade with Mexico. That the United States is affected to a greater extent is due to the fact that the U. S. is the greatest beneficiary of Mexico's foreign commerce."

That the Times correspondent has also found his own causes for the tariff program is not astonishing. He states that "the Mexican press and labor leaders have been reporting for weeks that workers on government-directed community farms in various parts of Mexico are unpaid," that "the basic change in the national agrarian system" has resulted in "decreased agricultural production which required the importing of wheat, corn and cocoa," and that because of "government steps against foreign industry in Mexico private credits for the government have dried up and foreign companies have withdrawn cash balances from Mexico." This, according to Mr. Kluckhohn, led to reduction in tax receipts and to the increase in tariff. Obviously, he is making efforts to confuse the issue by implying that the reason for the increased duties is not the government's desire to save the peso from devaluation, but simply a want for greater revenue.

Finance Minister Villasenor answered these assertions by stating that in the first place, "there are no workers on government-directed community farms, but there are ejidos and cooperatives formed by ejidatarios (Indian peons who have received land from the government.—A. M.), who have their own organization independent of the government."

FOREIGN PRESS SERVES COMPANIES

Sr. Villasenor explained further: "A few foreign companies have withdrawn their cash balances from Mexico hoping to compel the State to devaluate the currency so that they might obtain the nullification of wages increases and reduction of their cost of production. This tendency has been efficiently served by certain foreign correspondents who work as if they were in the service of these companies."

The "financial quarters" speaking through the mouth of the Times correspondent, are perfectly well known. So are their desires. But whether American public opinion will allow Wall Street to employ United States forces against Mexican peons, hungry for land, and against the Mexican worker, just hungry, and against their President, is still another question. And it seems that more [illegible] stories are needed to achieve that end.

Soviet Union's Brilliant Journalist

Mikhail Koltsov, Famed Editor and Aviator, Covered 20 Years of Socialism in the U.S.S.R.

By Kornely Zelinsky

The writers claim Koltsov and have elected him to the governing board of the Union of Soviet Writers. The journalists retort: "No, he belongs to us," and they heap honors on him. The publishers have an equal claim to him because he heads one of the largest publishing enterprises in the U.S.S.R., the United Magazines and Newspapers, which publishes dozens of newspapers and magazines. Soviet diplomats would welcome Koltsov with open arms; he is at home in their world too, talks to cabinet ministers like an ambassador and to journalists like a cabinet minister. Soviet flyers, however, maintain that Koltsov wields the pen or attends diplomatic receptions as a sideline to aviation. He is the commander of the Maxim Gorky airplane squadron. Koltsov was even decorated for his part in a daring flight across the Pamirs. In-

MIKHAIL KOLTSOV

cidentally at other times Koltsov has in his journalistic adventures sat behind a high school teacher's desk and at another time driven a taxi. These activities have also left their mark.

And yet the readers have the first claim on Koltsov. Miners, fishermen, professors and border guards lay aside a number of Pravda that contains an article by Koltsov from Spain so as to read the article slowly, word for word, at their leisure, relishing the way Koltsov deftly portrays the very gist of events.

Who is Koltsov?

Mikhail Efimovich Koltsov was born in Kiev in an artisan's family. The special literary qualities which determine a journalist evinced themselves at an early age. Koltsov was an eighteen-year-old youth, fresh from school, when the tsarist autocracy was overthrown in Petersburg in February, 1917. He climbed the steps of the Tauride Palace as the arrested ministers of Nicholas II were led from there to the fortress of Peter and Paul. When the newspapers ceased to appear Koltsov and a group of journalists published a chronicle of events. Copies of these large information sheets, the first reportorial accounts of the new history of Russia, are to be seen at the Museum of the Revolution.

Like John Reed, Koltsov took his stand with the revolution. The struggle of the workers and peasants for Socialism became the mainspring of Koltsov's newspaper work. In his quests for news, not content with vague rumors, he always tried to get to the root of events. He talked to Red Guardsmen around the camp fires and traveled with troop columns over the boundless Russian plain. He has been seen sitting in country taverns, at receptions for foreign scientists, on the lecture platforms, addressing worker-correspondents, at literary discussions, military maneuvers or participating in meetings of the board of some provincial cooperative.

Camel, Airplane And Submarine

He plunged into the thick of the First Five-Year Plan. He inspects newly opened hydro-electric stations. He travels on freight cars, on locomotive tenders, by camel and by airplane, on foot and by submarine, by motor glider and reindeer sled. Throughout twenty years of the Socialist revolution Koltsov has moved with the revolution and there is scarcely a corner of the globe, from Moscow to the remotest Siberian village, from Madrid to Vladivostok, where Koltsov has not turned up and given us his testimony of a contemporary and an eye witness.

Koltsov, like a real journalist, combines all the qualities of ingenuity, daring and imagination. His success in exposing Russian whiteguards made him famous.

At home in the U.S.S.R. Koltsov surprises his readers from time to time with some new stunt — he writes about his adventures as a taxi chauffeur, a school examiner, a marriage registrar, etc. But we would be wrong in taking Koltsov's journalistic adventures as the most important phase of his work. Stunts are not his chief end. They are not stunts performed for their own sake; they are experiments, which are a part of Koltsov's work, which provide a sample of the age in its various sections and trends. Koltsov is prompted not by a love for the sensational but by a love of science. His particular branch is contemporary history. His ideal is the ideal of the birth of new Communist humanity. This is what lends Koltsov's writings their peculiar unity. It keeps Koltsov's journalistic work from becoming chance newsgathering. On the contrary, line by line, he creates a vast mosaic portrait of our time with its main historic features. Lenin called publicists "historians of the present." This applies to Koltsov. He is both an artist and a scientific analyst of the news moment.

The Whole Epoch

After they appear in the newspapers Koltsov's articles and essays become books. A dozen such books have been published. They contain our whole epoch for the past two decades.

We now understand why Koltsov went to Spain after the first shots. He went there as correspondent for Pravda on the staff of which he had worked for fifteen years and of which he is an editor. Working on the central organ of the Bolshevik Party developed his sense of responsibility for everything he said, it made him feel like a fighter who was part of the great army of Socialism.

The entire U.S.S.R. eagerly reads Koltsov's correspondence from Spain. He displays a remarkable enthusiasm for his work. He never has time for sleep. He talks to the president, to Moorish prisoners, to peasants from Catalonia and miners from Asturia. In the evening he transmits the military bulletin which he has received from General Miaja, to telephone. At night he writes articles that give an analysis of class forces. During the daytime he is on the front.

He accompanied a tank attack, armed only with his pen. He lies in the trenches of Carabanchel and the University Settlement with his notebook. He lives in Madrid under the fire of Franco's German shells.

Koltsov wrote day by day, gathering facts not for the sake of sensation but to reveal to the reader the trends of our times. He wrote, telegraphed and telephoned two and three times a day about everything, from children's milk station to political prognostications. The only subject he did not write about was himself. The battle on the Jarama was one of the bloodiest encounters of the whole civil war in Spain. Koltsov was on the spot. His eye witness correspondence combined correct military information with the emotion of an artist and the penetration of a historian.

He went home for a short time; then returned to his post as a Soviet journalist and writer in the land where the people for the last two years have been fighting in the cause of all advanced and progressive mankind. Not long ago the Second World Writers' Congress was held in Madrid and Valencia. Koltsov's voice, feared by our enemies, loved by our friends, sounded from the tribune. Koltsov has a remarkable knack for saying the right thing at the right time. His speech at the Congress in Madrid was one of the best. The Congress closed and Koltsov is again on the firing line of the fight against the fascists. For Koltsov will always be present on the front of struggle for a new mankind, for a Socialist humanism. Such is the meaning of his journalistic work and the explanation of his courage and gifted personality.

Registration at New Theatre League

The New Theatre School offers an unusual training course in professional directing during its Spring term, opening February 14. Emphasis will be laid on practical production work, but the course will also include seminars in theory and critical analysis. Registration for this and other classes in directing, acting, design, and playwriting is now in progress at the New Theatre School, 132 West 43rd St.

Chamber Music for C. I. O.

The first Chamber Music Concert ever sponsored by a C.I.O. Union will be given today at 8:30 P.M., at the American Music Alliance Auditorium, 114 West 54th St., N. Y. C.

The concert is for the benefit of the city employees, Local 53, of the State, County, Municipal Workers of America, affiliated with CIO.

Above, photo shows a conference of 1,500 worker and peasant correspondents of Soviet newspapers in the Moscow region. Each newspaper has a huge staff of worker and peasant correspondents, who report daily to the newspaper from the factories and collective farms. These worker and peasant correspondents are the most important contacts between the Soviet newspapers and the masses.

'Sunup to Sundown' Human Play on Child Labor

Francis Faragoh's Story of the Tobacco Fields Brings to Broadway the New Work of an Important Playwright

SUNUP TO SUNDOWN. By Francis Edwards Faragoh. Produced by D. A. Doran. Directed by Joseph Losey. Sets by Howard Bay. Hudson Theatre.

By John Cambridge

The subject of the play which marks Mr. Faragoh's welcome return to the threatre from Hollywood is child labor. The topic is one of pressing importance, and it is a matter for satisfaction that Mr. Faragoh should choose such a subject for a play after having been surrounded by the glittering trivia which are the staple of the movies.

Moreover, the writing of **Sunup to Sundown** is of a quality that by itself would immediately lift the play above the regular run of Broadway productions. Particularly at the beginning and the end it has warmth and genuine poetic feeling.

The locale is the tobacco fields of the South, and all the action takes place in the warehouse where the children work from "sunup to sundown." The play opens with the promise of being a work of great importance to the understanding of the facts about one of the most horrifying of all the evils of the capitalist system. And to understand those facts is to insist on the immediate abolition of that evil.

But unfortunately the play does not fulfill its early promise. Instead of concentrating on the hard facts of child labor—and Mr. Faragoh obviously has talent enough to make those facts dramatic—the play deals chiefly with the love story of three of the children. Other matters, it is true, are included such as the investigation by certain liberal persons opposed to child labor, and the steps taken by the boss to deceive the investigators. Then there is a scene toward the end of the play when extra pressure is put on the children, and they decide to rebel, that is, to stop work. The very word "strike" is not understood by them, and their action is their instinctive response to the oppression under which they suffer.

Moving and True

These highly important social matters, however, bulk less in the play than the purely personal love story, and moving and true as that story undoubtedly is, the play would be more effective dramatically, and certainly more true as a picture of child labor, if the love motif were subordinated to the more generally significant side of the question. Moreover, in the attempt not to overwrite, and not to make Simon Legrees out of all employers of child labor, Mr. Faragoh has gone too far in the other direction. The boss and his foreman are kindly, avuncular creatures, and at the end when the boss does begin to crack the whip, the result is unconvincing. This subject should have less of the milk of human kindness, and more indignation. Dickens and Elizabeth Browning's "Cry of the Children" have shown what might be done.

Nevertheless, with all its imperfections, this play should be seen. It has been directed with sensitivity by Joseph Losey, whose task must have been exceptionally difficult. Florence McGee, who is remembered for her work as the psycopathic little liar in **The Children's Hour**, proves her versatility by a moving rendition of a Mexican-American child. Walter N. Greaza and Percy Kilbride give good performances, and Carl Benton Reid is effective as the boss. Jimmy Lydon, as the class-conscious infant leader and Jack Jordan are excellent and all the children are passable at least. Howard Bay's set, as usual, is fine.

With some revision, this play might be memorable, even as it is now potentially important.

Left on Broadway

'One Third of a Nation' Has Its Problems of Overcrowding

By Manngreen

RUMORS AND RUMBLINGS—Again the reports keep coming in that the Hearst papers are taking orders from a new boss. Impossible to confirm all the rumors but it seems that Hearst borrowed forty million dollars from the Rockefeller interests on sixty and ninety day notes. Things didn't work out so well and when the notes came due Rockefeller is supposed to have taken over. Not much change in the editorial policy however, so it's impossible to check that way. A big "hush" has settled over all folks who might know and should talk and little or no accurate information is to be had.

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ODETS ON GUITARRAS STORY—*Sometime in March, the Group Theater will unveil a new Cliff Odets one-acter as yet untitled. The story concerns the Cuban national hero Guitarras and although a one-acter, takes over an hour in the telling.*

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LIVING NEWSPAPER CIRCULATION SOARS—Although ". . . one third of a nation . . ." complains about crowded housing conditions, fact remains that theatergoers are finding the Adelphi Theater, home of the Living Newspaper, so over-populated these days that a new S.R.O. sign has had to be printed. Box office figures announce that 10,000 persons have seen the show since it opened two weeks ago while advance sales total 40,000. Producers who piffle away their time and money on such tripe as "Stop-Over," "Time and the Conways," "Greatest Show On Earth," etc. should take a hint.

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20th CENTURY EXPLOITATION—This is the dull season for the big airline corporations. To take up the business slack, promotion men are offering two-for-one Cupid rates. If you're married, you can bring your wife along with you for the ride all for the price of one. They will even marry you on board. Some fun.

'Karl Frederick Reigns' at Belmont

"KARL FREDERICK REIGNS," produced by Svensk Filmindustri, Stockholm, with English titles. Directed by Gustaf Edgren from a story by John Sanden, with Sigurd Wallen, Gull-Maj Norin, Pauline Brunius, Bjorn Berglund, Dagmar Ebbesen. At the Belmont.

By James Dugan

Augmenting the bard, one might also say there's something rotten in Sweden, if "Karl Fredrick Reigns" is a true picture of the social structure of Sweden. The new film, having its American premiere at the Belmont is an exposition of the political philosophy of Sweden's "Middle Way," shown in the life of Karl Frederick Petterson, a social-democratic politician, who rises to become minister of agriculture in the contemporary government. "The Middle Way" is evidently halfway between the Center and the Right.

Karl-Frederick is first seen in 1910, as a social tenant farmer on the huge estate of Bjornhammer, owned by the Lindberg family. He attempts to organize a union to fight for better working conditions, but is driven off by the lord of the manor, killing his sick wife in the upheaval. His small daughter, Lena, is deeply influenced by the persecution of the Lindbergs and grows up to become a journalist on a social-democratic paper.

Karl-Frederick has now become a minister in the social-democratic government. (In his new makeup as an elder labor statesman he bears an astonishing resemblance to some well-known figure and we tried to recall who) Lena writes a series of scathing articles about Bjornhammer and at the same time meets a charming young man who plays the violin like every hero of Swedish pictures we have seen. The young man turns out to be Olof, son of the Lindbergs and heir to Bjornhammer. Conflict.

Bjornhammer is losing money and Communist organizers are taking up Karl Frederick's old attempt to organize a union. The young people finally get parental consent to marry and Karl-Frederick puts up the dough to save the old castle from the sheriff. Honest. (Who is it Karl-Frederick looks like, we asked again).

Poor Political Fable

All the principals are gathered in Bjornhammer when the Bolshevik organizer marches in with the tenants to present their demands. The "kindly" Swedes give us an atrocious caricature of a Communist organizer, worthy of the imagination of Sinclair Lewis. Lena "comes to realize," slaps the Communist leader's face. He slinks away like Dan Baxter after a drubbing by Tom Swift. Presently the happy workers are living in jerrybuilt bungalows and Olof's mother, the unregenerate patrician, is welcomed back into the happy family. As she shakes the hand of the beaming Karl-Frederick, it struck us who he looked like. Ramsey McDonald.

As a political fable, this one might have been done in Hollywood, for all of the historical insight it has. On its credit side is fine acting by Sigurd Wallen as Karl-Frederick, Pauline Brunius as Madame Lindberg and Dagmar Ebbesen as Augusta, Karl-Frederick's shrewd housekeeper. The camera work is splendid and the music pleasantly unobtrusive. The English titles are exasperatingly few and badly rendered, full of clumsy typographical and grammatical errors, as dubbed in in Sweden. Great stretches of conversation are untranslated. The malicious treatment of the Communist organizer is worthy of a Hitler picture. The capitalists are handled with respect and sympathy.

"March of Time" at Gramercy Park

The Gramercy Park Cinema, 23rd and Lexington Ave., is now playing through Tuesday "Inside Nazi Germany." "Firefly" is also on the bill.

Health Advice

By Medical Advisory Board

Doctors of the Medical Advisory Board do not advertise. Readers' questions will be referred to a doctor for reply. However, diagnosis of individual cases and prescription will not be attempted. When writing, please enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Preventatives Against Venereal Diseases

"Is there such a thing as an effective preventative for gonorrhea, and syphilis, (as obtained during the World War with the army and navy). If so, now may I obtain knowledge of same."

The following treatment is considered the most effective prophylaxis against gonorrhea and syphilis. It must be emphasized that it is effective only if administered immediately after intercourse.

1—Urinate, emptying the bladder completely.

2—Wash the entire penis and adjacent parts of the body with soap and warm water. Pull back the foreskin and thoroughly wash the head of the penis and the groove behind it. Dry the skin.

3—By means of a bulb-type of syringe, slowly inject into the canal of the penis about 1 teaspoonful of either a 2 per cent solution of strong Silver Proteinate (Protargol), or a 10 per cent solution of Mild Silver Proteinate (Argyrol). As the syringe is withdrawn close the opening of the penis with the thumb and forefinger, and retain the solution for 5 minutes. To be effective the solutions used must be freshly prepared. A convenient type of syringe and solution-container, with a carrying case, is available at most drug stores.

4—Have your druggist prepare in advance a 33 percent calomel ointment in equal parts of lanolin and lard. Apply about one teaspoonful of this ointment over the entire penis, especially the head, the furrow behind it, and the foreskin. This requires, of course, that you retract the foreskin. The ointment would be rubbed in thoroughly for three minutes. Then pull the foreskin forward and wrap the penis in a piece of tissue paper or toilet paper. Avoid urinating for at least three hours.

If the foreskin is so tight that you are unable to retract it easily, you should be circumcized.

Various commercial prophylactic tubes are advertised as certain preventives against gonorrhea and syphilis, but none is as effective as the foregoing method of prophylaxis, which was employed with outstanding success by the American Expeditionary Force in the World War.

'Peter the First' in 7th Week

"Peter I," the Soviet historical film about Eighteenth Century Russia, entered its seventh week at the Cameo today. It will be succeeded by a return engagement of "Young Pushkin," the picture about Alexander Pushkin's student days which was forced to suspend its run at the Cameo in order to make way for the current "Peter I."

Dots & Dashes

HIGHLIGHTS FOR TODAY

2:00-WEAF, WJZ—Music Appreciation
7:30-KAR—Madrid on 9.48 m., 31 m. Short Wave Band
8:00-WEAF—Cities Service Concert with Lucille Manners, quartet, Rosario Bourdon's Orchestra
8:30-WABC—Paul Whiteman
9:00-WABC—Hollywood Hotel
10:00-WABC—Song Shop

8:30-WEAF—Press Radio News
WJZ—Revelers Quartet
8:45-WEAF—Orchestra
7:00-WABC—Poetic Melodies
7:15-WOR—Answer Man
7:30-WOR—The Lone Ranger, Sketch
WJZ—Lum and Abner, Sketch
8:00-WEAF—Cities Service Concert
WABC—Hammerstein's Music Hall
8:30-WJZ—Death Valley Days, Sketch
WABC—Paul Whiteman
9:30-WEAF—Lyman Orch.; Soloists
WABC—Hollywood Hotel, Paige Orchestra
10:30-WABC—Song Shop

FOR THE MUSIC LOVER

9:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.
WNYC—The Masterwork Hour Throughout the Day
WQXR—Classical Selections

Hey, Diddle, Diddle!

Walt Disney's "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" continue to captivate movie audiences at the Music Hall. The film now goes into its fifth week.

MOTION PICTURES

7th and LAST WEEK!
NO OTHER NEW YORK SHOWING THIS SEASON
AMKINO presents
PETER I
"Its magnificent acting is so superior to anything from Hollywood that the comparison isn't even funny."—WORLD-TELEGRAM
"EARTHY . . . an epic theme . . . bound to amaze you."—N. Y. Times
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"It should immediately be placed on the 'MUST' LIST."—N. Y. POST
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Spoken in Yiddish (English Titles)
CONTINENTAL B'way at 52 St. 25c to 1 P.M.

HARRY BAUR in "POIL DE CAROTTE" (The RED-HEAD)
"THE NEW GULLIVER"
"A Complete Delight."—Her. Trib.
(Both with English Titles)
WORLD, 49 St. 153 W., off 7 Av. Tel. Clr. 7-5747

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Sensational 'March of Time'
'Inside Nazi Germany'
and JEANETTE McDONALD in
'THE FIREFLY'

THE STAGE

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DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1938

ON THE SCOREBOARD

By LESTER RODNEY

Joe Louis is training again. This time at Pompton Lakes.

There never was a heavyweight champion who spent so much of his first year as title holder and fighting and conscientiously preparing for fights. Yet some phrase-mongering sports writers still talk about him being "shuffling, lazy, and only interested in food."

Those few, in the minority now in this district, can be classified as the Jim Crow sports writing group. Most of the scribes have paid sincere tribute to Joe. And he rates it. He is a fighting champion, and is still trying to perfect the craft despite the fact that he stands on top of the heap.

Joe is training for his bout with Nathan Mann, rough young conqueror of Bob Pastor, on February 22nd, but most of his thoughts are wrapped around a return meeting with Max Schmeling. He has never stopped thinking about the KO at the hands of the Nazi battler, his only defeat in 40 some odd fights, was a fluke. Whether or not it was, Joe really believes that he can reverse the decision. He was numbed in the second when Schmeling clouted him over his carelessly held low left guard, and was in a daze till the finish. Not only did it take Schmeling ten rounds to put away a practically wide-open fighter, but Joe at no time had a chance to put his artillery to work on his opponent.

Joe Wants Der Max Again

Meanwhile Joe, with the most impressixe record ever compiled by a heavyweight is saying it with fists—taking all comers. And he does want that return bout with Schmeling badly.

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A fancy bit of slugging will probably be on tap tonight at the Garden when Fred Apostoli collides with Glenn Lee. Frisco Fred, the best middleweight going, is a smart boy who knows that a terrific punch isn't quite sufficient for ring immortality. He's a real student of boxing, and that makes the T.N.T. kick in his right fist all the more devestating. He should wind up on top tonight and keep right on going.

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Maxie Baer is coming back. The first reaction to his signing to meet Tommy Farr in the Garden on March 11 is a raucous razzoo. Every sports section you pick up has something withering to say about the comeback of the 28-year-old Californian—with the consistent note of "he never could fight—always was a bum," running throughout.

Now I don't think Baer was the greatest champ the ring ever saw or anything like it. And it is quite true that he was something of a "magnificent screwball" and devoted more time to playing around the night clubs than training.

Still it is more than mildly amazing to read that he "never could fight." Especially when one finds those stories under the by-lines of the very same scribes who went into swooning ecstacy over the "terrific power" and "unprecedented ferocity" of the Baer who battered Ernie Schaaf to a pulp and knocked big Primo Carnera into insensibility to win the title.

Not Fair to Baer

At that time it was understatement to call him potentially the greatest heavyweight of them all.

Now he may have retrogressed. Undoubtedly has. But it's more than interesting to note the complete disregard of previous opinions and facts in the sport pages today. It's a sheep-like procession—all bleating the same chorus—which is a downright lie, according to their own stories. Maxie Baer may be the dowdiest stublebum in thme ring today, but it's at least a falsehood to say that he "never could fight."

When one sees such a callous disregard for past fact to suit a present whim or purpose in THE SPORTS PAGES of today's newspapers, one must wonder with a little shudder about the integrity of the news sections, which are in the hands of much more powerful and untrustworthy group.

With that little thought, we'll call it a column.

Give Lee Good Chance Tonite vs. Apostoli

Fans Consider Middle Title on Line as Sluggers Clash

By ABE NEWMAN

A packed house is expected at the Garden tonight when Fred Apostoli, the best middleweight mauler in the business, clashes with his most dangerous opponent, the Edison, Nebraska slugger, Glenn Lee.

Although not billed as a championship contest the title lure is nevertheless present in large quantities as Apostoli is regarded as the real boss of the 160 pound division since his devisive defeat of cham Fred Steele.

A clashing battle is probably in store for the faithful who enjoy a heavy punching bee betwpen evenly matched bruisers.

Apostoli is favored at two to one to take the rugged Nebraskas boy for a ride over the scheduled twelve round distance. The odds are not indicative of the comparative merits of both fighters. Undoubtedly making Frisco Fred the overwhelming choice to win is the result of his great showing against Steele.

Selling Glenn Lee short is not recommended as a general practice by this reporter. The neat way in which Glenn polished off Harry Balsamo and Walter Woods in his last two New York fights may occasion another upset when the winner's hand is raised at the 49th St. emporium tonight.

Apostoli has a rough task cut out for him when he starts throwing leather the western dynamo. Glenn has never been known to take a backward step against any middleweight in the racket, and it is a cinch that he won't begin backing up when Apostoli begins pouring it down the alley. Handing it out is by no means Apostoli's prerogative. Lee is a past master at that neat little trick and it is a toss up as to who does a better job of dishing it out.

Apostoli's greater experience figures to swing the struggle his way in the late stages of the quarrel. Yet anything is liable to happen when the boys get warmed up and it will not come as a terrific shock if Lee sneaks over the finsher and knocks Apostoli out.

It is a certainty that both youngsters will be in there punching away without let up The championship is really at stake despite the stupid regulations which nominally stil call the beaten Steele "middleweight king." Both boys know that some big outdoor money awaits the lucky victor of tonight's bout. Both boys also have known hungry days and the hungry fighter always puts on the best show.

Kiki Cuyler Signs with Brooklyn Dodgers

ALPENA, Mich., Feb. 3 (UP). — Hazen (Kiki) Cuyler, veteran National League outfielder, today announced he had signed a Brooklyn Dodger contract as utility outfielder and player-coach.

Cuyler, who announced his voluntary retirement at the end of the 1937 baseball season after an indifferent year with the Cincinnati Reds, said he looked forward to at least one more year

THEY DON'T REALLY MEAN IT

Jimmy Braddock squared off with Jack Dempsey at the Hippodrome weighing-in of their respective proteges, shown behind them. Both have thrown their last real punch.

4th Figured Red Sox Top Despite 'Big Name' Stars

By Charles E. Dexter

Tom Yawkey, millionaire owner of the Boston Red Sox, will make another gamble for the American League pennant next season, but it is my opinion that he will not make the grade again. Tom, the lumber tycoon, has quit spending big money. Joe Cronin, his manager, has called in numerous rookies and has engineered a trade which brings Joe Vosmik from St. Louis to Boston.

Let's take a look at his team and see if Yawkey's slaves can cop the A.L. gonfalon this session:

Five regular pitchers from last season remain on the roster. They are Lefty Grove, John Marcum, Archie McKain, Fred Ostermueller, and Jack Wilson. These boys won fifty-seven games between them. Other victories in '37 were won by Buck Newsome and Wes Ferrell, both gone to distant pastures. This means that rookies must win at least thirty-five additional games to reach the low limit for a pennant-winner

The rookie hurlers include old Jim Bagby's son, Jim, jr., who won 21 with Atlanta last year, Emerson Dickman who won 16 with Buffalo, veteran Jim Henry, who is a fair relief pitcher; Charlie Wagner, a 20-game winner with Minneapolis; and some guys called Joe. Bagby and Wagner are the best of the lot, but I doubt if they can win better than 20 games between them. Both boys are very young and may need added experience.

Joe Vosmik may add a lot of punch to the team. Joe was just one of the St. Louis Browns last year —which is enough to ruin anyone. If he can overcome the losing complex, he may make the Sox outfield. The great chauvinist, Bobby Chapman, who was kicked out of the Yanks because he didn't like customers who did not conform to Ku Klux standards of Americanism, is at one of the posts. Roger Cramer and Fabian Gaffke are still around, but it is barely possible that 19-year-old Ted Williams, the San Diego flash, hailed as the second Joe DiMaggio, will make the grade.

The Sox infield is unchanged: Foxx at first, McNair and Cronin at the midway, with Bobby Doerr as substitute and Pinkie Higgins at the far corner. This is not a winning combination, as Fox and Cronin are both past their peak.

The catching staff looks good. There's polysyllabic, liberal-minded Moe Berg, who once taught baseball in the Soviet Union; Gene Dessautels, John Peacock, the Minnesapolis flash, who looked good in the closing days of last season and Bill Dickey's brother George, who looks like Bill but can't hit like Bill.

Fourth place for the Sox is the best they can do in my opinion.

Sonja Has Troubles

BOSTON, Feb. 3 (UP). — Sonja Henie rested today after the excitement of her ice carnival opening before 16,000 at Boston Garden last night during which she fell while skating solo, was slightly disturbed by a small fire in the bandstand and announced she will become an American citizen.

She received a sever bump when her skates caught in an ice crack during a Viennese waltz number.

Soon after a carelessly swung torch in the "fire" dance started a small blaze in some decorations.

Dizzy Weekend Ahead on the Labor Courts

By ROY PARKER

The Trade Union Athletic Association basketball fight enters another dizzy weekend with six teams ready to make the matter of who's champion just a little bit more complicated.

Tomorrow night's activity at the Institutional Synagogue, 37 West 116th St., is confined to the B League, while the A League holds court at Stuyvesant High School, Fifteenth St. between First and Second Aves., on the following evening.

Unluckily for the Transport Workers Union five, they've drawn the outfit that is considered headed for the top in its league for an opponent in the first of tomorrow night's three games.

Just the thought of Willie Reed, Mario Palanqui, Phallen Fritz, Dewey Boyden or one of the other crack I.W.O. players starting of down the field toward's the T.W.U. basket makes it look bad for the boys in the Red and White uniforms. However, if the previous doings of the T.U.A.A. quintets may be taken as an example of things to come . . . there's no telling who is going to win.

Immediately following this first miniature edition of a madhouse, the Fur Floor Boys, Local 125, take on the Association of Workers in Public Relief Agencies in what should prove an easy victory for the Foor Boys, although they have just lost the services of Ed Askenas, now playing for the Furriers Joint Council.

Having already taken over Local 1224 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, the United Wholesale Employes quintet is out for the scalp of the other representative of the U.E.R.M.W. in the B League, Local 1206.

Chicago Cubs' Mystery Moves Are Explained

Clarence (Pants) Rowland, right-hand man of P. K. Wrigley, today swept aside the mantle of mystery enveloping the Chicago Cubs these many months and clarified the club's baffling off-season moves.

In a 15-minute chat before leaving for Chicago today Rowland explained many of owner Wrigley's and Manager Charley Grimm's plans designed to bring the Cubs the National League pennant in 1938.

"The move that seems to baffle everyone concerns the hiring of Tony Lazzeri by the Cubs," said Rowland. "This has caused a lot of comment and guessing. Mr. Wrigley designated me to contact Lazzeri when he passed through Chicago after the World Series and I sat in on every conference he had with the former Yankee player. I can say definitely that Mr. Wrigley's idea in hiring Lazzeri was to give the Cubs a valuable utility infielder and a smart coach on the base lines.

"Hiring Lazzeri was in line with Mr. Wrigley's main objective which is to bring the World's Baseball Championship to Chicago. He isn't satisfied with second place. He won't be satisfied with winning the National League pennant. And I believe I express his mind when I say that he will continue to make changes until the Cubs become world's champions."

Speaking about the August-September nosedives of the Cubs the past two years, Rowland pointed out that he considered the team had some "very bad breaks" but that carelessness played a big part in their defeat, especially last season.

"In looking to 1938 Mr. Wrigley has stresed that he wants every man in his organization on his toes, working hard toward one goal at all times. I think I speak for Mr. Wrigley and Manager Grimm when I say that nobody on the Cubs' team stays in the lineup on last year's reputation. That goes for stars and regulars. It's what they do this year."

Going over the Cubs' squad of 32 players and keeping in mind the strength of the other clubs, Rowland said he felt that the Cubs were better fortified than any of the other contenders.

"Our catching is all set with Hartnett, O'Dea and Garbark," Rowland said. "Our pitching staff will be built around Lee, French, Carleton, Davis and Bryant.

"The infield will present many keen struggles for regular jobs. Grimm plans to start Cavarretta at first base but Collins told me at the Baseball Writers' Dinner he was in great shape and completely recovered from his broken ankle. Herman will have Lazzeri to understudy him at second. Jurges will have to beat out Frey and two rookies, Mattick from Los Angeles, and York from Tulsa. Hack will have plenty of competition at third from Frey and Mesner, another Los Angeles rookie.

"In the outfield every job is open with the holdovers, Demaree, Galan, Marty Stainback, and Reynolds, and two rookies, Coaker Triplett and Jim Asbell. Watch Triplett, he looks like he's ready."

Farr to Meet Baer With Winner to Get Title Crack

Tommy Farr of Wales yesterday agreed to fight former heavyweight champion Max Baer in Madison Square Garden on March 11, with the winner to meet the winner of the heavyweight title fight scheduled in June between Max Schmeling and champion Joe Louis.

The fight, the second meeting between these two, will be a 15-round bout.

Farr announced his acceptance after five days of bickering. He had made reservations on the Ile De France, sailing next week, but changed his mind after Joe Gould, manager of former heavyweight champion James J. Braddock, convinced him he would be "crazy" to go home. Braddock retired last week.

Farr agreed after being assured by Promoter Mike Jacobs that the winner would get a chance at the title in September. Schmeling and Louis are scheduled to fight in June if Louis defeats Nathan Mann of New Haven, Conn., in a championship bout here on Feb. 23.

Farr won a decision victory over Baer last Spring in England. Baer later kayoed Ben Foord of South Africa and then returned to the United States. He has not had a fight since the Foord affair.

Northwestern U. Gets School Ace

CHICAGO, Feb. 2 (UP). — Bill DeCorrevont announced today in a brief, unprecedented interview that Northwestern will get America's wonder schoolboy of the gridiron.

While newsmen crowded around the sandy-haired football star who received as much nationwide publicity as any college player in the country last season, DeCorrevont settled a dozen rumors over his choice of schools with a short announcement scribbled in pencil.

"Take some of the pressure off this, will you boys?" he laughed as he passed around the slip of paper.

"My folks have always lived here and I wanted to go to school near home," it said. "I was lucky to play on a good high school team and some of the boys have chosen Northwestern. Naturally, I want to be with them. I know I can get a good education at Northwestern and I always wanted to play in the Big Ten."

DeCorrevont, 180-pound left halfback at Austin High School, piled up 35 touchdowns and scored 211 points, leading Austin to its Chicago City Championship last fall.

Max Bishop Navy Coach

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 3 (UP).— Max Bishop, former Baltimore Oriole and Philadelphia Athletic second baseman, will coach baseball at the naval academy, it was announced today. Bishop, who played for the A's from 1924 to 1933 during which period he played on three pennant-winning teams

Bright Wants Title

Norman Bright, of the San Francisco Olympic Club(will seek his third straight 5,000 meter title at the annual indoor national track and field championships in Madison Square Garden Feb. 26, 1

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GROPPER, JONES, Tschachosov, Augsmith will speak. Party for benefit of Jersey Strikers. Movies. ACA Gallery, 52 W. 8th St. 8:30 P.M.

MOTHER BLOOR, just returned from the Soviet Union, will speak on her trip. Cooperative Auditorium, 2700 Bronx Park East. Ausp.: Progressive Women's Council, Br. 25. 8:30 P.M.

OPEN FORUM—1140 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. Subject: "Trotzkyism — Its Role." Speaker: Max Sparer. Come and bring your friends.

CHARTER PRESENTATION of the Upper Harlem Young Communist League!!! John Little, speaker. Admission—none. Entertainment - Refreshments - Dancing. 41 West 124th St. 8 P.M.

IMPRESSIONS of last five years in the Soviet Union. Ray Ragosin. Adm. 15c. Workers Alliance, 1239 Southern Boulevard (Freeman St., Bronx). Ausp.: Unit 8, 5 A.D. 8:30 P.M.

ICOR BAZAAR and FESTIVAL! Feb. 5 and 6, at Irving Plaza. Bargains, entertainment, dancing every night. Restaurant. Adm.: Friday, 25c; Saturday, 40c; Sunday, 25c. Free until 6 P.M.

REX FITKIN, publicity director, Abraham Lincoln Brigade, speaks on Spain at Venzano Branch which meets, First and Third Fridays at 144—2nd Ave. Auspices: Venzano Branch, Friends Abraham Lincoln Brigade. 8 P.M.

MUSICALE! Program: Handel Concerto Grosso No. 12. Stravinsky Fire Bird Suite. Sibelius Symphony No. 1. Commentator: Rudolf Jankel. Admission 15c. 66 East 13th St. Ausp.: Downtown Music School. 8:30 P.M.

FOR A SWELL TIME!! Come to after exam affair at Hotel Newton—94th St. & Broadway. Admission 25c. Ausp: Joint Cultural Comm. at Hunter College and Columbia University. 8 P.M.

GAYEST CROWD in Town!! Dual Celebration! Red Wedding. Charter night. WPA Youth Club, 434 Sixth Ave. Hot Dancing! Admission 15c. Time: evening.

Tomorrow

PHILIP J. JAFFE, Editor of Amerasia, speaks on "Can China Win?" Adm. 25c. 2nd floor, 35 E. 12th St. Ausp.: Workers School Forum. 2:30 P.M.

SHORT ON SHORTHAND!!! Long on Swing Band. See you all at Steno's Ball this Saturday Evening. Royal Windsor.

BOYS & GIRLS, ATTENTION!!! Enjoy an evening of fun. Refreshments, Dance & Entertainment. Admission 35c. 20 St. Marks Place. 6 P.M. Ausp.: Friends of Daily Worker.

THOSE SATURDAY NIGHTS at the New John Reed Youth House are the talk of the town. See tomorrow!!!

BRONX SECTION Freiheit Gesang Farein is giving a Concert at Herman Ridder High School. Singing of the Chorus, the well-known artist, Boruch Lumet. I. Shlaine, pianist. Cellist, B. Rosler. Boston Road, Bronx. 8:30 P.M.

NIGHT OF DANCE and fun with Terry Parker's vaudeville Gang of singers, dancers, comedians. Ventriloquist, etc. 381 Rockaway Ave. Ausp.: Brownsville Community Center, B'klyn. 8 P.M.

CONCERT-PARTY. 1st N. Y. appearance. Miriam Blecher, dancer, Beethoven Trio. Dancing. Refreshments. 35c admission. A swell time guaranteed. 163 Bleecker St. Ausp.: Lower West Side People's Center. 8:30 P.M.

NATURE FRIENDS Peasant Dance. 8 P.M. Two Bands! Two Halls! Entertainment, Refreshments, Surprises! Come in costumes, overalls, or as you like. Subscription 35c. 11 West 18th St.

Coming

INTERNATIONAL BRIGADE and other Movies, veteran speaker, exhibit of Spanish posters, dancing. John Reed House, 1543 Westchester Ave., Bronx. Ernie Amat Branch of the Friends of Lincoln Brigade, 7 P.M. Sunday, Feb. 6th.

THALIAN-MASQUERS present "Squaring the Circle." Sunday, Feb. 6th. 8 P.M. Bronx YM-YWHA, Fulton Ave. & 171st. Dancing. Admission 50c.

ANALYSIS of News of the Week by Albert Goldstone. Admission 20c. 2nd floor, 35 East 12th St. Ausp.: Workers School. 8:30 P.M., Feb. 8th.

AUTHORS' DAY: Friday, Feb. 11, 4 P.M. Harry Slochower will speak on "Three Ways of Modern Man." Questions and Discussion. Adm. free. Workers Bookshop, 50 E. 13th St.

"LET'S GO TO TOWN." For the Federal Arts Bill at a Studio Party, (Feb. 12th) at Labor Stage, 106 West 39th. Will Geer! The Manhattan Chorus! A swell magician! All the Artists will be there!!! Ausp.: United American Artists, CIO.

KINDERLAND CAMPERS will tap it out!! Cas-Carr's Band will beat it out!! Carol Wright, vocalist, will sing it out!! At Kinderland's Reunion Ball, Saturday, February 12th, (Lincoln's Birthday). Center Hotel Ballroom, 43rd St. & 6th Ave. Tickets in advance 40c: Workers Bookshop, Freiheit Office—50 East 13th St. At Door, 55c.

ANOTHER ASU DATE!!! Sunday, Feb. 13th. "Coming Out" Party on occasion of Legal debut of chapters in the City Colleges. Labor Stage Studio, 106 West 39th St. 8 P.M. 25c for Asuers. 35c to others.

UNDERLINE FEB. 26th, American Student Union, N. Y. District. Presents "Academic Epidemic." Original Musical comedy at New School Theatre, 66 W. 12th St. Catching tunes, mirthmaking lines.

Chicago, Ill.

SCOTT NEARING speaks Friday, Feb. 4, at 8 P.M. Capital Bldg., 159 N. State. Subject: Japan's "Place in the Sun." Ausp.: Chicago Workers School. 40c.

DANCE AND FLOOR SHOW!!! Sinclair Calaway Swing Band! Entertainment! Warwick Hall, 540 East 47th St., Sat., Feb. 5th. 8 P.M. Admission 35c. United Drug Store Employees, CIO.

Philadelphia, Pa.

MEET the gayest crowd in town!!! Cabaret Nite! Floor Show! 1312 Walnut St. 7th Ward Br. Adm. 25c. Feb. 5.

SURPRISE DANCE for Reba Glass, Friday, Feb. 4 at Boslovic Hall, 701 Pine. Speaker, Pat Toohey. Entertainment. Dancing. Refreshments.

DR. ALBERT C. BARNES, head of Barnes Art Foundation, speaks on "What Are the Chances for Art Education in Philadelphia?" Sun., Feb. 6th. 8:15 P.M. Musical Fund Hall, 808 Locust St. Subs. 25c.

ANNIVERSARY FIRST SINO-Japanese War at Shanghai. Entertainment & Refreshments. Chinese Seamen Club, 1002 Vine St. 3 P.M. Feb. 6th.

IMPORTANT. . . All units and branches must be represented at the Daily Worker Agents Meeting, Monday, Feb. 7th, 8 P.M., 305 E. 11th St.

Detroit, Mich.

HARD TIME DANCE—PLUS!!! Saturday Evening, Feb. 5th, Magnolia Hall, 4319 Magnolia St. 10c. Benefit, promotion and distribution of Union Literature. Ausp.: West Side Book Shop.

On College Courts

The echoes are still in the air following the thrilling double-header Wednesday night in which LIU, with its Negro ace on the bench, beat W&L of Virginia, and CCNY took Manhattan in an exciting Donnybrook.

Fans want to know why King, LIU's Negro star, didn't get in the game. We'll let them know shortly. Without King, the LIU team was still too good for the Southerners, who play a straight, hustling game with very little subtlety. With Kaplowitz, King, Newman, Torgoff, Bromberg, Rosenfeld, Sewitch, Peck and others back in action next year, it would be wise to tab the Brooklynites as dynamite for '38-39.

CCNY was still woefully off on its shooting. The team is classy enough to have licked Manhattan by 20 points, but flubbed easy shots earned by great ball-handling. The private feud between Messrs Samullo and Paris could be called a draw.

NYU, rated even with St. Johns as the city's tops, starts a gruelling Southern trip tonight by taking on Richmond. Tomorrow night they play North Carolina. St. Johns meets Duke at home tonight, while Fordham meets potent Villanova in Philly.

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